THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Tuesday; light westerly winds. Minimum temperature tonight 24 to 28.

THE LOWELL SUN

5 O'CLOCK

ESTABLISHED 1878 LOWELL MASS. MONDAY DECEMBER 14 1908 PRICE ONE CENT

POLICE CALLED IN

To Exciting Meeting of Greek Church Directors

The two factions in the Greek community, represented by the old and new board of directors, had a rather serious clash at a meeting in the Greek church basement yesterday relative to matters affecting the policy of the community that have been under dispute for some time.

Feeling ran high during the meeting, and excitement becoming rife, word was sent to the police station and three policemen were sent to the church. But three policemen were as pigmies amid such a large and intensely excited throng and a second telephone message brought 15 officers on the scene.

In the midst of the excitement before anything of a serious nature had occurred, Liquor Inspector Philip Lawyer, who was with the police posse, addressed the gathering upon the unseemliness of such proceedings on the Sabbath and within the sacred walls of the church edifice, and urged the warring factions to declare a truce and to adjourn the meeting until some future date when they could look upon matters in a more dispassionate manner. The officer's remarks had the desired effect and after remarks from the cooler heads the meeting came to a close.

FUNERALS

MILLER—The funeral of Edward Oliver Miller took place Friday from his home, 825 Lawrence street. A funeral mass was celebrated at the Sacred Heart church by Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., pastor of the church. The Gregorian chant was sung by the sanctuary choir, under the direction of Mrs. Adelaide A. Muldoon, who was also the organist. "O Salutaris" was sung at the offertory and as the body was borne from the church "De Profundis" was given by the choir. The bearers were Messrs. Patrick Letford, William Brown, Daniel Condon and William Murphy. Among the out-of-town friends present at the services were Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Maroney of Peabody. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Smith, O. M. I. The funeral was under the direction of John A. Finnegan.

ELLIOTT—The funeral of Mrs. Maria T. Elliott took place from her late residence, 151 Church street, Sunday afternoon, and was largely attended. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. Services were conducted by Rev. L. C. Manchester, D. D., pastor of St. John's church. There was appropriate singing by Mr. and Mrs. George Burns. The bearers were William Garmon, Thomas Tiffany, Joseph Garmon and William Flagg. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery in charge of the J. B. Currier Co.

CHARLTON—The funeral of Mrs. Esther M. Charlton was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of her son, 102 Highland avenue, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. Rev. Albert E. Kenyon, pastor of the Chelmsford Street Baptist church, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, and a chorus from the Chelmsford Street church consisting of Misses Hazel E. Firth, Addie M. Thorne, Ruth Caddell, Marion Warren, Ida Shepard, Irene Thorne, Vera Perkins, Edith Chadwick, Harry Perkins, Mr. Percy A. Yarnold and A. E. Kenyon sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "Lead Kindly Light" and "Beyond the Smiling and Weeping."

Among the flowers was a large pillow from the children. The body will be sent to her old home in Burlington, N. S., Tuesday morning and services will be held in the Baptist church of which the deceased was a charter member. Burial will be in the family lot in the Burlington cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Albert H. Bixby.

HEATH—The funeral of Thomas Heath took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of the parents, 433 Lakeview avenue. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons.

COSTELLO—The funeral of Miss Winnie Costello took place yesterday afternoon from the residence, 7 Courtney's court off Lakeview avenue. The bearers were Thomas Mullen, Martin Fleming, James Toohey, James Gannon, Patrick Shea, and Patrick Roddy. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons. Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers at the grave.

CORREIA—The funeral of Charles Correia took place Saturday afternoon from the home of his parents, Charles and Emily, 354 Chelmsford street. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, Undertakers M. H. McDonough & Sons in charge.

MAGUIRE—The funeral of Thomas Maguire, aged 79 years, and an old resident of Lowell, took place Sunday afternoon from the funeral parlors of Undertaker M. H. McDonough & Sons at 3 o'clock. The bearers were Dennis Madden, Charles Murphy, Patrick Tierney and Edward McDonough. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Mullin of St. Michael's church read the committal prayers.

DUBE—The funeral of Pierre Dube took place Saturday from 95 Lakeview avenue, with funeral services at St. Louis' church, Rev. Fr. Jacques officiated, and the bearers were Onesime, Amedee, and Wilfrid Dube, Olympe Champagne, Henri Lepine and Antoine Delisle. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery and Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

ROBERTS—Charles E. Roberts died Thursday at Farmington, N. H., aged 64 years. The body was brought to Billerica, Saturday afternoon, where burial took place in Fox Hill cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Horace Ela Co.

BOWMAN—The funeral of William E. Bowman took place this morning from his late residence, 193 East Merrimack street, at 8.30 o'clock and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at nine o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I. The church choir was present at the mass and sang the Gregorian edition of the mass. At the offertory and at the close of the mass Messrs. James McCaffrey and Charles Smith, rendered solos. Mrs. Hugh Walker presided at the organ and also directed the choir.

The bearers were: Messrs. George Shields, J. H. Ward and Harry Rogers of the Centralville Court of Foresters of America, of which the deceased was a member, and Andrew Kimlock, Bert E. Joy, Michael Donlin for the family.

The delegation from the Court Centralville was composed of the following: John L. Hulmes, Frank Gargan, Duncan McKeene and John F. Shields.

The burial was in the Catholic cemetery, and the remains were laid in their final resting place after the last rites of the Catholic church were read by Rev. John P. Flynn.

The floral offerings were numerous. Among the most prominent were the following: Mammoth pillow, inscribed "Father," from the family; cross on base, employes of Putnam's restaurant; wreath of pinks, Peter Flood; crescent of carnations, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conant; large wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Kimlock; wreath of roses, Harry Elliott; spray of roses, Lilla and Grace Conners; spray of pinks, Mr. A. K. Petrie; Mr. Hodgman and Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow; spray of chrysanthemums, Miss and Mrs. Meers; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rogers; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Hefler; mammoth Gates Ajar, with inscription "Centralville Court of Foresters of America, No. 184."

The funeral and interment was under the direction of Undertakers Chas. H. Molloy & Sons.

DEATHS

NORCOTT—Mrs. Mary E. Norcott, formerly a resident of this city, and mother of Mr. William W. Norcott, who for many years was superintendent of the Pickering Manufacturing Co., died very suddenly Monday night, Dec. 7, in Springfield, Mass., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. J. Richards. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon in Springfield, the Rev. Geo. H. Wallace of Lawrence, Mass., officiating.

HARTFORD—Mrs. Nancy C. Hartford, widow of Mark Hartford, died yesterday at her home, 194 Appleton street, after a short illness, aged 80. Her husband was a well known contractor and was interested in business in the west for many years, where he helped to build some of the big railroads in that section of the country. Mrs. Hartford was born at Burnham, Me., July 12, 1828, and received her education in the public schools in that town. In 1863 she married Mark Hartford. No children were born to the union. She is survived by George H. Hartford of Westford and a niece, Mrs. Stella Foster of Boston.

ATWOOD—Mrs. Sarah J. Atwood died yesterday at Westboro. She leaves her father, John Fleming, and one brother, Joseph Fleming. The body will be brought to the home of the brother in this city, 57 Chapel street, today.

DAVIS—Charles W. Davis died Dec. 11 at the home of his son, Frank E. Davis of Springfield. He leaves two sons, Frank E. and Samuel L. of this city, and one adopted son, Mark B. Fleming of this city. He was a member of Post 120, G. A. R.

GOSSELIN—Mrs. Philippe Gosselin died Saturday morning at her home, 51 Mammoth road, after a few hours' illness. Mrs. Gosselin's maiden name was Marie Fortier, and she was well known in this city, where she had resided for many years. She left besides her husband a daughter Alda and a new-born baby; her father, Charles Fortier, three brothers, Theodore Fortier of Lowell, Joseph Fortier of Leominster, and Rev. Brother Francis Fortier, O. M. I., of Pueblo, Mexico; and five sisters, Rev. Sister Marie Alcibiade of Oswego, N. Y., Mrs. Henri Lavallee, Mrs. Arsidas Chouinard and Miss Rose Anna Fortier of Lowell, and Mrs. Arsene Morin of Lawrence.

NEVINS—The many friends of Miss Mary J. Nevins will be grieved to learn of her death, which occurred yesterday at her home, No. 9 Gates street, at the age of 24 years. Deceased was a popular young woman of St. Patrick's parish and a member of the Immaculate Conception sodality conected with the church. Until obliged to cease work owing to her illness Miss Nevins was a valued clerk of the United States Bunting Co. She is survived by her parents, Thomas F. and Bridget Nevins, and one sister, Miss Margaret T. Nevins.

The funeral will take place Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock from her home, and at 9 o'clock a mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

HESLIN—Peter Heslin, a well known parishioner of St. Peter's church, died this morning at his home, 22 Union street. He is survived by a widow, Maria; two daughters, Catherine and Rose; three brothers, John, James and Thomas, and two sisters, Mrs. James Keegan and Mrs. Thomas Glynn.

A DIVIDEND

DECLARED BY ARNOLD PRINT WORKS COMMITTEE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—A dicidend of 25 per cent. in cash was declared today by the reorganization committee of the Arnold Print works to holders of certificates of deposits issued under the reorganization agreement of July 28, 1908.

It was originally proposed to pay the creditors 50 per cent. in cash but this would not be declared as the receivers have not yet turned over all the cash of the companies to the reorganization committee nor have arrangements been concluded for the proposed loan of $2,200,000 from the Central Trust Co. of New York.

It is expected that the first mortgage five-year coupon bonds will be ready for distribution to the creditors on Dec. 24.

All claims amounting to $100 each or under will be paid in full in cash if the plans of the committee are carried out.

Twenty-Eight Below Zero

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is reported as the mark at Loon Lake, N. Y., one day last week. That means that our share of the cold biting weather with drifting snows will not hold off much longer. We'll have cold good and plenty, very soon. Now is the day, the hour, the minute to lay in a supply of fuel. Now the time to prepare for a run of cold weather. Now the time to fill up the Coke bin, for your own comforts and well being do not longer delay. The price of Lowell Coke remains the same, $4.75 per chaldron. The quality remains the same, the satisfaction expressed by all who use it, just the same. Every piece of Lowell Coke burns, all honest.
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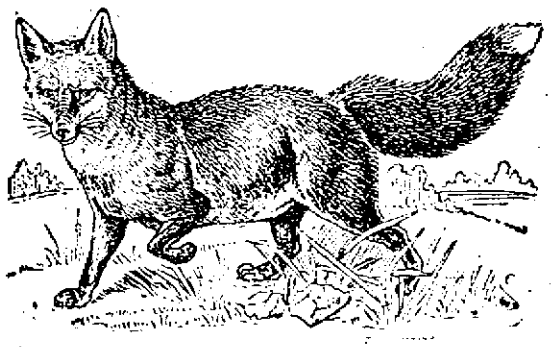

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DR. GATSOPOULOS

Popular Greek Resident Receives Diploma

Dr. John Gatsopoulos, a popular member of the Greek colony, received a few days ago his diploma from Boston university, having passed a satisfactory examination. While a regular practitioner in his native country Dr. Gatsopoulos upon coming to America immediately took up a course in Boston university for the purpose of proving his right to practise under the laws

DR. JOHN GATSOPOULOS

of this country as well as those of his native land. He has been in America only one year and came here without the knowledge of English. He is the first Greek physician in this country who has been able to learn the English language and receive a university diploma in so short a space of time. Dr. Gatsopoulos is a member of a prominent family in Greece, is finely educated and is decidedly popular with all who know him. He speakes English remarkably well, and speaks Greek, French and Italian fluently. His friends in the local Greek community are highly pleased at his success. As an instance of his popularity among his fellow-countrymen he was elected president of the Epirans community of this city some time ago. The last issue o fthe local Greek paper had a complimentary notice of Dr. Gatsopoulos' success.

JOHN F. BREEN

Letter Carrier to Locate in California

Mr. John F. Breen, the well known and popular letter carrier of upper Chelmsford street, who a few years ago delivered mail in the down town streets, is about to remove to California, where his wife and children have been for some little time, and the employes of the local postoffice, in order to show the esteem in which they hold him, tendered him a farewell reception Saturday night at Foresters hall.

Nearly every carrier and clerk in the office was present, also Assistant Postmaster Edwards Cheney and Superintendent of Carriers Albion S. Ashworth.

Letter Carrier George S. Howard, on behalf of the carriers, presented Mr. Breen a handsome traveling case, and the latter responded in a feeling manner, expressing his sorrow in leaving men with whom he had been associated for many years.

An excellent musical program was carried out under the direction of D. P. Martin. "When Sweet Marie Was Sweet Sixteen" was feelingly rendered by Thomas F. Meagher; "Beside the Old Oak Gate," Mr. Fred Campbell; "Harrigan, That's Me," J. N. Kennedy; "Heart of My Heart," John T. Roane; "Stein Song," D. P. Martin; "Because You're You," duet, J. T. Roane and C. Austin Carey; "Dreaming," Mr. Dave Mahoney of St. Peter's choir; "Rainbow" and "Sullivan," by C. Austin Carey; Mr. Carey's dancing was a feature; George B. Leslie's famous hit, "When I Met Her at the Fountain Near the Sink;" song and dance by Kennedy and Mahoney.

The happy affair came to an end with the singing by everybody present of "So Long, Johnny, Don't Forget to Write Back Soon." Robert Fay acted as pianist in a very acceptable manner. George S. Howard was chairman of committee on arrangements and was ably assisted by John F. Slack and J. W. G. McGuire.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS CASTRO

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The government will be questioned in the chamber of deputies today by a colonial deputy regarding its attitude toward President Castro and it is understood that M. Pichon will make a statement in reply.

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IN POLICE COURT

Small Docket Today all Drunks

This morning's session of the police court was a comparatively short one for a Monday, the business being disposed of with great rapidity, inasmuch as Deputy Redmond Welch was in Cambridge attending the session of the superior court Supt. William B. Moffatt acted as prosecuting officer.

All of the prisoners in the dock were charged with drunkenness and many of them who had appeared before the court on several previous occasions were sent to the state farm at Bridgewater, while others asked to be sent there.

Of late it may have been noticed that some second and even first offenders have been sentenced to the state farm. This looks rather strange on the face of it, for the first offenders are generally released or fined $2 while the most of the second offenders escape with a $6 fine.

There are various reasons for sending these men to Bridgewater. In some cases the men have no place to stay in the winter, others are sick and need hospital treatment while others either have no ambition to work and the latter do not care where they go as long as they can get something to eat and a place to sleep.

Philip Drouin was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Breault and this morning in court pleaded guilty to a complaint charging him with drunkenness. It was his third offence and the arresting officer informed the court that the man had been hanging around barrooms during the day and at night would sleep in hallways. The court decided that the best place for Drouin to spend the winter would be the state farm and he was sent to that institution.

John F. Kelly, a second offender, was very sick as a result of over indulgence in drink and seemed to be perfectly satisfied when he received a sentence to the state farm.

Thomas Forin was in court for the third time within a month and he will spend the winter down on the (state) farm.

Thomas Egan will have his Christmas dinner at the same institution, as will Patrick H. Murphy.

Edward Carr and John W. Scully, second offenders, were fined $6 each.

There were four first offenders who were taxed the usual $2, and eight simple drunks were released without appearing in court.

Virginio Medeiros was arrested last night by Patrolman Daniel C. Donovan and in court this morning pleaded guilty to being drunk. He escaped with a $6 fine.

Patrolman David Petrie found Martin Sybil lying in the street Saturday night and sent him into the police station. This morning Martin said that he had a "little drunk." He was fined $3.

LOWELL PRIESTS

Start Temperance Crusade in Manchester

The biggest move in the cause of temperance ever held in Ste. Marie's parish, Manchester, N. H., will take place next Monday evening in Ste. Marie's hall when the Rev. Fr. Barrette and the Rev. Fr. Brullard, both missionary fathers of Lowell, Mass., will speak. The clergymen will go to McGregorville on that night as the special guests of Court Ste. Marie, A. C. A., and through the efforts of the Rev. F. Roussel, an assistant pastor of the church.

Previous to the meeting the different courts of the city, six in number, will march in a body to the hall where a place will be in reserve for them.

The lecture will be in two parts. First, one of the priests will give the temperance talk and at the close, the other clergyman will discuss the important question from the moderate drinkers' standpoint.

JUDGE TAFT

IS HARD AT WORK ON HIS SPECHES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Pres.-elect William Taft, who is spending several days in this city with Mrs. Taft, prior to going to Agusta, Ga., for a five weeks' rest preceding his trip to the Panama canal zone, had few engagements today and devoted some of his time to the preparation of the speeches he is to deliver tomorrow night at the dinner of the National Civic Federation and Wednesday night at the annual dinner of the Ohio society.

Mr. Taft has announced that he does not expect to be in a position to further outline the personnel of his cabinet during his stay in New York. He declared he was proceeding slowly in the matter of selections for the various portfolios, as he has plenty of time in which to consider the best available material.

Among Mr. Taft's callers today were Frank B. Kellogg, who has been prosecuting the government suits against the Standard Oil Co., and the so-called Harriman roads; Leslie M. Shaw and Congressman Fowler, chairman of the house committee on currency.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft are staying at the house of Henry W. Taft in West 48th street. Mrs. Taft is busy daily with her Christmas shopping.

NATIONAL POULTRY SHOW

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The National poultry show begins here tomorrow. Among the special attractions will be "Peggy," the $10,000 hen owned by Ernest Kellerstross of Kansas City and Prof. Armstrong's "ideal" hen, a cross between a Dorking hen and a Silver Duckwing gamecock.

MRS. GATES DEAD

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Dec. 14.—Teresa Gates, mother of John W. Gates, died early today of diabetes. She was 57 years of age. The body will be taken to St. Charles, Ill., in a special train that has been held at Port Arthur for a week past.

TWO SMALL CHILDREN wanted to care for by the week. Address Mrs. Williams, R. F. D., No. 2, Lowell, Mass.

LICENSE GAINS

In Recount Started at City Hall

The recount of the license vote as petitioned for by the Law and Order league was begun in the public hearing room at the city hall at 9 o'clock this morning as was also the recount of the councilmanic vote in ward six.

The ward six recount was gone through with this forenoon and there was carried along with it a recount of the license vote in that ward with the result that the "yes" vote for license was increased by six, while no material change was shown in the councilmanic vote.

ADMIRAL SPERRY

To be Guest of Gov. McCallum

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—Rear Admiral Sperry landed from the battleship Connecticut today to pay his official visit to Sir Henry Edward McCallum, the governor of Ceylon. A guard of honor had been assembled and there was a big crowd on the water front composed of natives and Europeans. The admiral was cheered as he stepped ashore. He at once inspected the guard of honor drawn up on the pier. The guard was from the Ninety-eighth infantry regiment. After this ceremony the admiral with the members of his staff drove to the governor's residence. Later, in the day the governor returned the call and was received on board the Connecticut with the usual salutes. During the stay of the sixteen battleships at Colombo, where they arrived yesterday from Manila, Admiral Sperry will be the guest of the governor, while Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder will be entertained by Gen. Lawrence.

The first batch of sailors, consisting of 28 bluejackets and two officers from each ship, came ashore in the morning and took a train for Kandy, the capitol of Ceylon, where they will spend the day as guests of the government. There will be similar excursions each day during the stay of the fleet until all have been thus entertained.

FRANCE REPLIES

To the Statement of Pres. Castro

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Following President Castro's criticism of France's attitude towards Venezuela given in his interview with a representative of the Temps here last night, the French government today issued a semi-official note explaining its position. The note states that Castro was informed when he disembarked last week that no opposition would be made to his landing and also that as reported from Fort De France, Castro desired by his own personal intervention to re-establish diplomatic relations, the French government was willing provided he refrained from any declaration calculated to disturb public order. At the same time Castro was notified that eventually negotiations must occur through the regular diplomatic channels and that any departure from the above conditions would be followed by expulsion. The note says Castro made no reply to the government, but at Paris informed Foreign Minister Pichon through his physician that he was leaving for Germany.

HE DEFENDED HERESY

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Heresy in the Christian church was held up as a cure for present tendencies toward merely orthodox and "respectable" religion by Rev. Dr. Frank Crane of the Union Congregational church of Worcester, Mass., in a sermon here yesterday.

Mr. Crane defended heresy and heretics and urged revolt from established religious doctrines as the best means of fostering the growth of a new religion unhampered by traditional and accepted opinions.

CRUISER BIRMINGHAM

ROCKLAND, Me., Dec. 14.—The scout cruiser Birmingham owing to the weather was obliged to postpone her government standardization test today to prepare her for the competitive trial with her sister ships, the Chester and the Salem. She went out to the course at 9 a. m., but an hour later returned to her anchorage, having found the weather so hazy. It was difficult to distinguish the range marks.

DUTCH OFFICER

Tells of Seizing the Venezuelan Ship

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao, Dec. 14.—The following detailed story of the capture Saturday last of the Venezuelan coast guardship Alix by the Dutch cruiser Gelderland was obtained today from an officer of the cruiser.

At 6 o'clock Saturday morning the Gelderland was steaming slowly a short distance off the fort at Puerta Cabello. She noticed the Alix coming in and after taking up a position that prevented the passage of the smaller boat she ordered her to stop and sent off a boat to search the Venezuelan vessel. It was discovered that the captain of the Alix had hidden his Venezuelan pennant in his pocket and he pretended that his vessel was a merchant steamer. A passenger on board of the Alix, however, declared to the Dutch officer that the Alix was a coast guard vessel. A search was then maintained. The flag was found in the captain's pocket and six rifles and a small quantity of ammunition also were discovered. The rifles were in bad condition.

The crew of the Alix were given their choice of coming to Caracas or going ashore at Puerto Cabello. They adopted the latter course, embarked in one of their own boats and pulled into the harbor.

The Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador was at Puerto Cabell and the officers of the Gelderland could see her getting up steam. Smoke was pouring from her funnel. The Gelderland stayed outside Puerto Cabello for several hours, waiting to see if the Restaurador would come out, but she did not venture forth. The Gelderland manned the Alix with an officer and several marines and towed her into Curacao, arriving yesterday. The Alix is now anchored in the inner bay.

JUDGE BALDWIN

DROPPED DEAD AT LOGANSPORT TODAY

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 14—Judge Daniel Baldwin, formerly attorney-general of Indiana, dropped dead yesterday at his home of apoplexy. He was 71 years of age. Mr. Baldwin was active in republican politics. His banking interests extended to a number of Indiana towns. Following the closing of two of his banks his financial status was shattered.

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The weakness of American Pneumatic was the feature of the local stocks today. Copper stocks were quiet and firm.

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FOURTEEN DEAD

Result of Explosion of Dynamite in Canal Zone

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Fourteen are known to be dead, three of them Americans, and 50 injured, several seriously, from the premature explosion of 21 tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo in the Panama canal zone Saturday.

The following dispatch was received today from Chief Engineer Goethals by the chief of the Washington office of the Isthmian canal commission:

"CULEBRA, Dec. 12, 1908.

Capt. F. C. Boggs, Washington, D. C.:

"The premature explosion of 21 tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo at 11.10 this morning resulted in the death of 14 men and the injury of 50. Three or four of the injured will probably die. Following Americans killed:

"James T. Hummer, craneman, steam shovel, Dunnellen, N. J.

"John J. Korp, steam shovel engineer, Phillipsburg, N. J.

"John J. Reidy, powderman, Indianapolis.

"Seriously wounded—Benjamin H. Cole, foreman, Rochester, N. Y. Slightly wounded—Arthur H. Bassett, foreman, Philadelphia; W. G. Bell, foreman, New York city; C. W. Hayden, steam shovel engineer, Sandusky, O.

Goethals."

MORE BODIES IN WRECK

COLON, Dec. 14.—The explosion Saturday at Bas Obispo of a 25-ton dynamite blast was the most serious accident in the building of the Panama canal since the United States took control.

A thorough investigation, with a view to fixing the responsibility, has been ordered, and already officials are taking evidence.

The dead now total 14. Many bodies have been recovered, but it is believed that a score or more are still under the masses of rocks and earth that were thrown up. The death list would have been appalling had a train conveying 500 laborers arrived a few minutes later. This train steamed through the cut and was barely out of view when the explosion occurred.

For a distance of 500 feet in length and 400 in width the Bas Obispo cut presents a graphic picture. The whole hillside has been devastated, the dynamite rending the earth in twain and tossing huge bowlders in all directions.

A 90-ton steam shovel is a complete wreck, crushed under the weight of falling rocks. Every one of the crew was killed. All the tracks in this section were torn to pieces and are now cce
now covered with tons of debris.

The work of clearing away the wreckage continued throughout the night, but a much longer time will be necessary to clear away the great heaps of earth and rocks in the search for the buried dead. Hundreds of men were on the scene yesterday, working heroically to find the bodies.

The charge consisted of 51 holes, 60 feet deep, and spread out over a large section of territory. The last hole was being charged by John J. Reidy, an experienced powderman, when it exploded. The others were exploded by the concussion. Reidy was blown to pieces.

Officials at the Ancon hospital, where many of the injured were taken, report that they are doing well.

ENGINEERS MEET

State Branch Session in Lowell Yesterday

The semi-annual convention of the state branch of the International Union of Steam Engineers was held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple. There was a large attendance of delegates and considerable business of importance was transacted, the principal topic being relative to the question of convict labor and employes of the state.

The following resolutions were adopted by the convention:

Resolved, That this matter be brought to the attention of the Massachusetts district police.

Resolved, That the legislative committee of the state branch be instructed to introduce a bill into the legislature to repeal the law granting special licenses to engineers.

Resolved, That this convention favors an eight-hour day for all employes of the prison departments of Massachusetts. We also think it right and proper that all state employes should have their wages paid weekly.

Resolved, "That we endorse the wage schedule of local 742, Boston, to go into effect Jan. 1.

The convention elected the following officers: President, R. McVite, Quincy; vice-president, E. H. Beane, Brockton; secretary, W. N. McEvoy, Milford; treasurer, M. T. McNerney; all re-elected.

It was voted to hold the next semi-annual convention in June at New Bedford.

The local committee in charge of the arrangement consisted of President William Kenefick, Jones, Davy, Allard, Martin, Greenwood and Hersome.

There were 50 delegats from out-of-town. The local delegates were William Kenefick, William Gould and Geo. Chamberlain.

Delegate McMahon of Milford reported as delegate to the international convention at Philadelphia. The international vice-president, A. M. Huddell of Chelsea, installed the newly elected officers.

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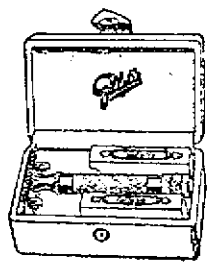
$5  $5

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MAN MURDERED

His Body Placed on the Railroad Tracks

BOWDOINHAM, Me., Dec. 14.—The discoveries of two section men of the Maine Central railroad along the tracks east and west of this village early yesterday morning have convinced the officials that a murder was committed late Saturday east of the town and that the victim's body was placed on the track, where a passing locomotive struck it.

Scott Brown, one of the section men, found to the east portions of the man's body, and Joseph Dionne, the other section man, found to the west the trunk and head.

Brown's discovery included further evidence of a murder. About 100 feet from Dunham's crossing he came upon a place between the rails, indicating that the body had been laid there. At this point was a large pool of blood, which apparently had flowed from a wound.

Outside the rails on one side the snow was troddendown as if there had been a fierce fight. Impressions in the snow showed that a man had been knocked over backward and also upon his face.

Fifteen feet from the tracks a man's hat was found. It had a hole in the front. This hole was newly made, evidently with a sharp instrument, possibly with a revolver bullet.

Appearances were that after the man had been rendered unconscious he was placed between the rails to bleed to death.

Chairman James H. Ames of the selectmen and W. R. Given, 2d selectman, who visited this spot, found the footprints of two men. Some of the prints were made with a foot shod with new rubbers 12 inches long, while the others were of little worn rubbers 10½ inches in length, exactly corresponding with the rubber overshoes of the dead man.

Footprints of still another size led up a hill and into the woods, but the officials do not believe the man who made these prints was concerned in the fight. The last named footprints were made early Saturday evening evidently, as they were frozen in the snow, while the prints of the other two men were much fresher.

An undertaker took the remains and clothing to his rooms, where an examination was made.

It was determined that the man was about 45 years old, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches tall, weight 155 or 160 pounds. The face, much disfigured, has a prominent nose. He wore a close-cropped black mustache, had not shaved for about two days, and his hair was black with a few gray hairs in it. He was a man who took good care of himself, apparently.

His clothing, badly damaged, consisted of a heavy reefer with a checkered lining, a navy blue vest, heavy outside shirt of gray, and an undershirt. He wore heavy rubber overshoes, which had been so recently purchased that the trademark had not been wern off the heels. On the little finger of his left hand was a chased gold ring about one-quarter of an inch wide. There were no initials or other marking on the ring.

The man was not a tramp nor woodsman, as is shown by his hat and the absence of heavy leggings.

FOR DAY NURSERY

The vaudeville show given for the benefit of the Lowell General hospital last Wednesday night was repeated Saturday night at Colonial hall for the benefit of the Day Nursery. There was a good sized audience and the program was presented in a capable manner. At the conclusion of the entertainment dancing was held.

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SECRET SERVICE

Three Men in Washington Controversy

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Representative Perkins of New York is chairman of the special house committee to consider the statement in the president's message concerning the law which denies the treasury department the right to lend secret service men to other departments to uncover crimes against the government. The president's remarks stirred some of the members of congress to anger, and the incident is likely to be followed by some lively debate. This group comprises Representative Perkins, who called for the appointment of the committee; Wm. J. Burns, the secret service man who ran down the San Francisco grafters and the land swindlers, and Francis J. Heney, the San Francisco prosecutor, who was shot while trying a case in court. It is the first picture taken of Mr. Heney since the shooting and shows him with his head bandaged to protect the wound made by the would-be assassin's bullet.

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THE PRESIDENT

Getting Rifles Ready for Hunting Trip

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—It is stated here that for his African trip, President Roosevelt has ordered from the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. four different types of rifles.

The first of these rifles is known as the Model of 1895, of 405 calibre. This is the most powerful rifle made and is intended for the very largest type of African game. The rifle carries a 300 grain bullet and is used with smokeless powder and is the most modern type of rifle of the kind made. The power of the rifle can be measured by the fact that the bullet at the time of impact has an energy of 2500 foot pounds.

The second rifle ordered by the president for his African excursion is known as the Number 30 government rimless cartridge type, carrying a 220 grain bullet. It is of much higher power than the model of 1895 and of longer range, fitted to kill very large game at a range of from 500 to 1000 yards, though at the latter range the bullet must be placed. The cartridge is of the type developed by the government and it is inferred that it will be particularly valuable for sport with the lions, and animals of that size and type in the African wilds.

The third rifle ordered is of the model of 1886, an extra light weapon carrying 45-70 government cartridge with its most effective range at 60 yards. It is of the type which the president had often used in the past. It is of 405 calibre and has as much energy after the bullet has gone 200 yards as the government rifle has at the muzzle. This is the rifle which the president has used very much in his past excursions for big game in the west.

The fourth rifle ordered by the president is known as the Model of 1894, calibre 400 and effective up to 200 or 300 yards, to be used for moderate game, carrying a cartridge with a bullet of 170 grains loaded with smokeless powder. It is also of a very high power type of rifle which he has used also in his western hunts for big game, notably in his Colorado trip.

With these four rifles provision has been made for every type of game that the president looks for in the African wilds.

FARMER KILLED

He Was Murdered in Lonely Spot

PITTSBURG, N. H., Dec. 14.—An investigation was started Saturday into the murder of Fred Chappell, a Pittsburg farmer, whose body, with three bullet wounds in his back and head, was found Saturday night in a lonely spot on the main road between this town and Colebrook and about a quarter of a mile from his home. The fatal shots were heard by Chappell's father, who lived with him, and who was the first person to discover his son's body.

Footprints leading from the highway through the woods gave the officers a clew and it is understood that they had some one under surveillance.

Chappell was about 40 years of age, and had a son and daughter. For some time he lived apart from his wife, who is at present in Boston. The daughter, about 6 years old, is at her father's home here, while the boy, who is a year or two younger, lives with his mother.

It is said that the person against whom suspicion was directed was jealous of Chappell's attentions to a woman, and this is believed to furnish the motive for the deed.

ADDRESSED THE CADETS

At the last meeting and drill of the A. G. Cadets, Lieut. Mottram of Company G, M. V. M., gave an interesting drill talk before the privates and officers and later before the officers only; he gave good advice on extended order work.

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MELBA'S RETURN

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NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mme. Melba, the famous prima donna, has just returned to America after a world tour and will be heard in several operas in New York and Philadelphia during the

MME. MELBA

present season. Later in the winter she will be heard in concert in various cities in the United States and Canada. "Otello" will be one of the first operas in which she will appear. The cast will be the same as was heard in Covent Garden, London.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Mr. Joseph Carpentier, the village blacksmith, is rejoicing over the birth of a baby boy, who arrived Saturday morning, making the ninth child, five girls and four boys, and both "Joe" and his estimable wife are yet nearer 30 years of age than 40.

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GRAFTER DEFINED

Hon. George D. Alden Tells of His Origin

GRAFTER IS NOBLEST WORK OF FRAUD

Graft Denouncers Are Oft-Times Grafters—Spirit of Manhood is Being Lowered—The Need of the Hour is Not More Gold, But More God

"The Needs of the Hour" was the subject of an interesting address by Hon. George D. Alden of New York at the Y. M. C. A. meeting in Hathaway's theatre yesterday afternoon. Every seat in the house was taken and the speaker's version of the grafter as told by him was very interesting. He said, in part:

"There are four great relationships in life. The four relattionships are: The social or commercial, the political, the religious and the domestic. All the troubles of the nations of old, as well as of the nations today, are traced to a lack of regard for these four aspects of life. They are due to a growing disregard of the individual in his relationship to these four moral obligations. There has been a certain spirit in the air in the history of all nations which impelled men on to God, or draw them back.

"Let us look at the ages of our own land, and of the moving spirits in them. The first age was that of the Pilgrims. That age was dominated by conscience. Then came the age of the patriot, which had its beginnings in the days of '76. The spirit of liberty and loyalty permeated everything. The heroic age was that beginning in 1861, when the spirit of humanity and honor was foremost. Now we arrive at the present age Happily we are passing out of what for the past thirty years we have been in. This has been largely an age of things material rather than spiritual. It has been an age of graft and greed.

"I am here not to denounce but to defend the grafter. I will tell you who he is, and where he comes from. The greatest danger in this graft and greed is the smug way we view grafters. We sit back, look it over, say nothing and do nothing. We hold a spirit which is lowering the spirit of manhood all over the country.

"I want to tell you about men in New Hampshire and Vermont and Maine—I know nothing about you here. You, I suppose, are all right. But up there, in those states, the honest men, the men who denounce grafters bitterly, occasionally put water in the milk they sell. They don't graft much. Then there are the grocers who sand their sugar and who ambuscade scales. Ambuscade scales are those that lie in weight. These contemptible grafters denounce the master grafters, they are the ones who make the big grafters.

"Are the criticisms of great wealth honestly given, or are they due to envy? You can't reform the nation until you reform the state. You can't reform the state until you reform the cities and the towns, and you can't reform the cities and towns until you reform yourselves. The grafter is the noblest work of fraud.

"There is a woful lack of knowledge relating to God's trusts. The beautiful stories of God are not being read to our children today, as they were to our fathers and grandfathers. Fathers and mothers are now too busy getting along in life to bother about reading Bible stories. A great deal of the Bible is a closed book to the present generation. Why, a man came to me a little while ago and said that only recently had he found out that Sodom and Gomorrah were not man and wife. Then, there was a woman I have heard of who always thought that the epistles were the wives of the apostles, until she found that there were 12 apostles and 14 epistles, and then she wanted to know how the extra epistles came in, if two of the apostles had two epistles each. The matter was explained to her. A lot of you men carry your religion as you carry your property, in your wive's names.

"Up in Maine, or New Hampshire or Vermont—for I know nothing about this city—two men once met. They got to speaking about the Lord's prayer and one bet that the other could not repeat it. He put down a $10 bill. The other man began 'Now I lay me down to sleep,' and so on to the end. And the man who had bet the money said: 'I didn't think you could do it: Here's your $10.'

"If you want to see a man pray, scare him. Put him down in a ship that is sinking, where the water is rolling in and you will find that is the time when the inner soul breaks through the shell of cynicism and skepticism.

"The need of the hour is not more gold, but more God. The religion of Jesus Christ is for men. We have left it to women too long. It is the only religion ever given to the world by which a man might die. It's the sternest of religions—it was meant for men, and it had its inception around the supremest type of mankind."

11 MILES AHEAD

DINEEN WON THE 72-HOUR RACE SATURDAY NIGHT

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 14.—Covering 354 miles and 8 laps in 72 hours, Pat Dineen, the Boston baker, was an easy winner in the go-as-you-please race that ended at 11 o'clock Saturday night at the fight guard armory.

Prouty, also of the Hub, who took second place, was more than 11 miles behind Dineen, while the other six survivors were strung out over a full 100 miles.

Dineen's performance is an excellent one, considering the fact that the race was held on a track 16 laps to the mile, but it is some 70 miles behind the world's record for the event, made by George Noremac some years ago.

FERGUSON DEAD

HE FIRED BLANK CARTRIDGES INTO HIS EAR

PAWTUCKET, Dec. 14.—William H. Ferguson, a stonecutter, died at the hospital Saturday night from lockjaw, the result of a wound in the right ear, caused by a blank cartridge, and the medical examiner pronounced it a case of suicide.

More than a week ago Ferguson was found in the tenement of Mrs. Annie Whittaker, and Mrs. Whittaker, who fled from the place, said he first fired at her and then turned the weapon on himself. Ferguson said he knew the cartridges were blank and merely drew the weapon to scare the woman.

FATALLY BURNED

GIRL USED KEROSENE TO START A FIRE

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 14.—Mary Leculvre, 11 years old, died at St. Joseph's hospital last night as the result of burns received at her home in the village of Natick early yesterday.

The child was motherless and kept house for her father, Joseph Leculvre, who is employed as a fireman in the Natick mills. The father was at his work yesterday morning and only Mary and her 5-year-old brother were in the house. She started to build a fire in the kitchen stove with kerosene and her dress caught fire. She was burned from head to foot when neighbors who heard her cries discovered her. The other child was uninjured.

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DROPPED DEAD

Lawyer Stricken With Heart Disease

BEDFORD, Dec. 14.—George J. Tufts, 55 years old, a lawyer, who lived at 16 Bradlee street, Dorchester, dropped dead in Chelmsford yesterday afternoon of heart failure.

Mr. Tufts, accompanied by his son, John L. Tufts of Winchester, came to Bedford yesterday afternoon and left the car in the centre of the town to walk to Chelmsford, a distance of four miles. They remained in that town about two hours and were walking leisurely back to Bedford when Mr. Tufts was suddenly stricken and sank unconscious, dying immediately.

JUDGE TAFT

TELLS OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH LATE PRES. McKINLEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—President-elect Wm. H. Taft, speaking last night at the dedication of a McKinley memorial organ in Metropolitan temple, told to an audience, which repeatedly interrupted him with applause, the story of his official association with the late president and declared with reference to the Philippine Islands that the policy laid down by Mr. McKinley in 1900 has been the policy of the present as it will be the policy of his own administration.

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VENEZUELAN SHIP

PRESIDENT CASTRO OF VENEZUELA NOW IN EUROPE.

Was Captured by the Dutch Cruiser Gelderland

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao, Dec. 14.—The Dutch cruiser Gelderland came into this port yesterday morning, towing the Venezuelan coast guardship Alix, with the Dutch flag flying and a Dutch crew on board. The Gelderland captured the Alix off Puerto Cabello on Saturday. At the time the Alix was lying close in-shore and, notwithstanding the threat which the Venezuelan government had made to fire upon any of the Dutch warships committing a hostile act, the Gelderland steamed at speed towards the guardship and sent an officer and guard in a launch to seize her. This they did without resistance, and no shot came from the forts on land.

The crew of the Alix was put ashore and the Dutch officer and marines remained on board. The Gelderland finally took the Alix in tow and steamed away with her as a prize.

The seizure of the Alix was in accordance with the plans of the Netherlands' government when instructions were issued to the three Dutch warships now in these waters to make a demonstration off the coast of Venezuela and to capture any Venezuelan ships of war or guard vessels that they might find.

The arrival of the Gelderland at Willemstad this morning was greeted with unbounded enthusiasm by those who noticed the cruiser's approach and soon the entire populace was down at the water's edge to welcome the warship towing the first of the enemy's ships as though from a great conquest.

Naturally, the people of Curacao, who have long been clamoring for activity by the Dutch government, are greatly rejoiced over this evidence that Holland has at last begun active measures against Venezuela, but the governor of Curacao in explaining the incident had this to say yesterday afternoon:

"The capture by our warships of coast guards and war vessels is not to be considered an unfriendly act against the Venezuelans. It is merely a reprisal against Castro's government, which refuses to give satisfaction for his unfriendly acts against Holland. The seizure of these vessels will make it impossible for the Venezuelan government to carry troops or ammunition to and from the various ports.

"A communication to this effect has been forwarded by the Dutch government to the German minister at Caracas."

"It is learned from the officers of the Gelderland that the battleship Jacob Van Heemskirk and the cruiser Friesland are now off La Guaira and that further captures may be expected at any time. These two vessels left on Friday cleared for action, and it was believed at that time that their intention was to make a forcible demonstration at La Guaira. The opinion is held here that in the absence of President Castro, the Venezuelan government will not go so far as to fire upon the Dutch warships, which, since Venezuela is practically without a navy, virtually hold the Venezuelan ports at their mercy.

The situation between Venezuela and The Netherlands has been strained for some months. The trouble arose indirectly from the expulsion from Caracas of M. De Reus the diplomatic representative of Holland, but it had already been rendered acute by the course of Venezuela in issuing a decree on May 14 last, which virtually killed the commerce of Curacao. President Castro refused to withdraw this decree, notwithstanding Holland issued an ultimatum that she would take retaliatory measures unless he took prompt cognizance of her demands. Castro suggested that Holland send a representative to Caracas to confer with him on this subject but this The Netherlands government declined to do. Without waiting, however, to ascertain whether or not this suggestion would be adopted, Castro sailed for Europe.

Other incidents that have added to the ill-feeling have been the stoppage of Dutch sailing vessels at sea by the authorities of Venezuela and the storming of the Venezuelan consulate at Willemstad by a mob. Venezuela has made preparations to resist any act of hostility. The forts at La Guaira, Porto Cabello and Maraicabo have been reinforced with men and munitions, but until Saturday no untoward act had occurred which would give Venezuela an opportunity to answer force with force. More than a week ago the three Dutch warships, the Jacob Van Heemskirk, the Freisland and Gelderland, steamed along the Venezuelan coast from Puerto Cabello to La Guaira at a distance of three thousand yards from the shore. Later the two cruisers went to Maraicabo where they made a similar demonstration. It is understood that the battleship De Ruijten is now on her way to Willemstad where she will join the others in continuing the demonstration against Venezuela.

The Gelderland, which has visited the United States several times, is the vessel which took Paul Kruger, the president of the Transvaal, from South Africa to Marseilles after the collapse of the Transvaal's defence in the South African war. She represented the Netherlands government at the Jamestown exposition.

The naval force of Venezuela consists of ten vessels. Of these three, the Bolivar, Miranda and Margarita, are gunboats. The others, except the Restaurador, which was formerly the steam yacht Atalanta, are hardly worthy of mention. They are nothing more than armed tugs. There is one 12-pound gun on the Restaurador, but aside from this there is not a gun in the fleet bigger than a six pounder. The Venezuelan forts, however, are mounted with some modern six-inch Krupp guns.

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SCENES IN HEALTH EXPOSITION SHOWING WAR ON THE WHITE PLAGUE

GRAPHOPHONE LECTURING ON TUBERCULOSIS

LECTURING ON MILK INSPECTION

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The international tuberculosis exhibition now being held in New York city comprises the most elaborate series of object lessons on tuberculosis and the means of its prevention ever placed before the public. The exhibition occupies an entire wing of the Natural History building and a temporary structure adjoining. It has attracted the attention of all classes of people since its opening, being besieged by throngs ranging from 10,000 to 40,000 persons daily. Some of the exhibits are methods of milk inspection, accompanied by lectures; graphophone lectures on cleanliness as a means of minimizing the spread of tuberculosis; the care of drinking cups at public fountains; rooms in the crowded tenement districts where the white plague thrives and replicas of these rooms after the charity department has had them cleaned, refurnished and repainted, and maps of the city showing where the disease abounds. These maps are marked with black pins showing where every case of consumption is situated. There is also a red incandescent light that flashes every time a victim dies of consumption in the greater city. This grim reminder of the ravages of the disease is one of the most striking features of the big show.

TEXTILE NOTES

Interesting Items From Mill Centres

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 14.—A $10,000,000 corporation has filed articles of incorporation in the Hudson County court house. It is the National Silk Dyeing Co., formed to manufacture, buy, sell and trade in any and all dyes, chemicals and preparations for bleaching and dyeing silk and other materials. The incorporators are Chas. W. Miller and Harold Otis, of No. 25 Broad street, New York, and Frank H. Hall of Jersey City.

CORSICANA MILLS RESUME

CORSICANA, Tex., Dec. 14.—The Corsicana cotton mills, after remaining shut down since last spring have started operations again on full time, with a working force of 150. The working force will be increased as soon as plenty of the right kind of labor is obtainable. Schwartz Brothers, who control the mills are pleased with the outlook and anticipate a very busy season for the mills.

OBLIGED TO USE STEAM

CONTOOCOOK, N. H., Dec. 14.—The silk mill, owing to low water has started its steam power to assist in running the mill.

CARPET MILL BUSY

THOMPSONVILLE, Conn., Dec. 14.—The plant of the Upson-Martin Carpet Co. is still overburdened with orders and the weaving department has started in to work from 7 a. m. to 9.30 p. m. until further notice. During the long depression this plant continued to work on full time with full complement of employes and for several weeks it has been forced to work evenings to fill orders.

GREYSTONE MILL ADDITION

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 14.—The Greystone in Greystone, and the Berkson mills in Georgiaville, have extensive improvements under contemplation or already completed. A new addition to the Berkson Mills has been completed and is ready for the installation of machinery. The first floor will be used as a cloth room, the entire second and a part of the third for weaving purposes. Six hundred Draper looms have been ordered, the first shipment being expected daily, and will be installed as rapidly as possible. The balance of the third floor and the entire upper floor will be utilized for spinning, 31 Mason frames for warp yarn to be the equipment.

CAUGHT IN GALE

Steamer Boston Was Badly Damaged

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Delayed nearly five hours by an accident to her machinery and heavy weather, the steamer Boston, Capt. Simms, arrived at Long wharf at 3 p. m. yesterday from Yarmouth, N. S. On board were 37 passengers, and many of them were greatly alarmed when they found that the machinery had broken down and the steamer was drifting. Their fears were quickly allayed by the officers, who assured them that the vessel was in no danger.

When the steamer left Yarmouth a strong northwesterly breeze was blowing, and it soon developed into a gale. At 8 p. m., when the Boston was 20 miles off Yarmouth cape, the machinery stopped and the steamer was hove to. The storm was raging at the time and the vessel was tossed about considerably. It was three hours before the engine room force completed repairs and the steamer resumed her passage.

Capt. Simms, when asked the nature of the accident, said it did not amount to anything. It was learned from other sources that overheated bearings were the cause of the trouble.

The weather continued rough all night with a driving rainstorm.

The steamer brought in a large cargo of fish and general merchandise.

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SKULL CRUSHED

DEDHAM BOY WAS STRUCK BY AUTO

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Walter Morton, 7, lies hovering between life and death at the home of his parents, 687 Washington street, Dedham, with a fractured skull, the result of a collision with an automobile while he was coasting on Clark's Hill yesterday.

The accident occurred near the corner of Washington and Court streets about 1 o'clock. The boy was coasting down Clark's Hill toward Washington street and did not see the approaching automobile. The machine was going from Norwood in the direction of Boston at a good rate of speed.

Morton was struck by the automobile and was thrown a distance of 15 feet, being rendered unconscious.

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DIED OF BURNS

Brave Woman Fought Lamp Explosion

FRANKLIN FALLS, N. H., December 14.—Mrs. Elizabeth Cilley died early yesterday morning at her home in East Andover as the result of burns received from a lamp explosion. Mrs. Cilley was 75 years old. According to her custom, a lighted lamp was left in a room adjoining her bedroom on the ground floor of her house last night.

About 1 yesterday morning Mrs. Cilley was awakened by an explosion, and hurrying into the next room she saw the top of the lamp on the floor and a lively blaze in progress. She bravely seized the lamp and opened the outside door to throw it out. The wind fanned the flames back from the burning oil, her nightgown ignited and she was burned from head to foot. Death occurred at 7.30 yesterday morning.

Her daughter, Mrs. Horace D. Caldwell, who lives in the same house, was awakened by her mother's screams and in trying to save her had both arms and hands badly blistered. Mr. Caldwell, who tried to wrap a portiere about Mrs. Cilley, had both eyebrows burned. William Cilley, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Cilley, although aged and bedridden with a broken leg, managed to get to the rescue and was severely burned.

The flames did small damage to the house, being confined to the curtains and carpet of the room where the lamp exploded.

CHURCH BURNED

FIRE STARTED FROM AN OVERHEATED CHIMNEY

KINGSTON, Dec. 14.—The First Baptist church of Kingston, a gift to the town by the late Henry R. Glover of Cambridge in memory of his father, who was for many years its pastor, was totally destroyed by fire late last night. The church was built in 1886 at a cost of $35,000.

The fire was believed to have started from an overheated chimney in the basement. Several handsome memorial windows were destroyed with the church. The pipe organ is believed to have been saved.

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IN THE PULPITS

Rev. G. B. Dean on Politicians

HOLDS OUT HOPE OF BETTER TIMES

Better Times Predicted For Our Municipality—Services at the First Baptist and First Congregational Churches

Rev. George B. Dean held out a few morsels of soul-saving hope for the politician, at St. Paul's church in Hurd street, last night. There have been those mean enough to say that there is no hope of eternal life for the politician; that his acts precede him to the golden gate and that instead of being allowed to enter he is shunted to the road that has no hope; the road that leads to the land of forgets.

But the spirit of mercy has stirred the soul of Rev. Mr. Dean and he bids the politician to be of good cheer; that he's not so bad but that he might be worse and by a simple system of purification he may avoid the hoofs and horns.

It was last Friday that Mr. Dean issued a challenge, or rather sent out invitations to members of the incoming city government, to attend the evening service at his church yesterday and hear what he had to say on the subject, "Can a Politician Be a Christian?" Six members of the government so soon to be ushered in responded to the invitation and they went away feeling as if there was still a ray of hope for them.

Mr. Dean preached a very interesting sermon. He referred to the corruption of city governments, to the power of public opinion, the press and the church for good in ridding city governments of corrupt office holders. In conclusion he said:

"I believe the day is dawning when our city halls and state houses will all be in the true sense 'White Houses,' for they will be adorned with righteousness and truth and our public officials will be men whose hearts God has touched.

"Let the citizens of Lowell rally round the administration of the coming yet and under God's help bring in an era of good feeling and good times. Let the press and the pulpit unite with our chosen representatives of all parties and the men selected for every department of our city government, the legislative and the executive, in an honest effort to do our very best, and help bring about conditions that will more nearly correspond with the fulfillment of the prayer of our Lord when he said 'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' "

Rev. Dr. Seymour

Rev. Dr. Seymour, field secretary of the American Baptist Publication society, preached at the First Baptist church last evening. He preached on "Old and New Fashions," showing how they were changing all the time and he said that while fashions may change from season to season the gospel of Christ remains the same. It is adapted to all conditions, old and new.

Dr. Seymour was pastor of the First Baptist church 15 years ago and he was warmly greeted by his old parishioners yesterday. He is a genial, whole-souled man and is much beloved by the people of the First church.

There will be a special meeting of the First Baptist society Friday evening at 7 o'clock for the purpose of making arrangements for the new pastor, Rev. S. W. Cummings of Nova Scotia.

First Congregational

At the First Congregational church, last night, the pastor, Rev. B. A. Willmott, spoke on "Redemption." His theme was the redeeming work of Christ for men and the work of the redeemed man for society. The service was strong in interest. The chorus choir of 38 voices sang three choruses from "The Redemption," under the direction of Frank B. Murphy, with Solon W. Stevens at the organ.

BOXING GOSSIP

The bouts this week are:

MONDAY.

Harry Lewis vs. Willie Lewis, and Jeff Doherty vs. Paddy Sullivan, New Haven.

Jack Blackburn vs. Jack Robinson, Philadelphia.

Jimmy Dunn vs. Frank Madole, Pittsburg.

Jimmy Hanlon vs. Gus Ross, Salem.

TUESDAY

Owen Moran vs. Frankie Neil, Johnny Lynch vs. Ike McLean, and Cleve Hawkins vs. Henry Hall, Armory A. A.

Bill Papke vs. Hugo Kelly, Vernon, Cal.

Arthur Cote vs. Dick Nelson, Albany.

Harry Mansfield vs. Willie Clark, and Peter Maher vs. Bob Evans, Philadelphia.

Jeff O'Connell vs. W. Lucas, Reading, Pa.

Kid Dufresne vs. Freddie O'Brien, North Adams.

WEDNESDAY

Jem Driscoll vs. Grover Hayes, Philadelphia.

Tommy O'Keefe vs. Joe Hirst, Olympic A. C., Kensington.

THURSDAY

Jem Pendergast vs. Jim Stewart, Lawrence.

Johnny Lynch vs. Mike Cunningham, Lewiston, Me.

Jim Potts vs. Bill Lauder, Alberta, Can.

Eddie Curtis vs. H. McCann, Lancaster, Pa.

FRIDAY

Bill Hurley vs. Jim Williams, Glens Falls, N. Y.

Patsy Kline vs. Willie Jones, Baltimore.

SATURDAY

Young Donahue vs. Dave Deshler, New Orleans.

John Willie vs. Al Kubiak, Philadelphia.

For some reason or other assumed names have always been popular in the ring. Kid McCoy's real name is Norman Selby and Tommy Ryan's proper title is Joseph Youngs. Young Corbett's handle is Billy Rodswell. Learn Cross, who made so good a showing against Packie McFarland, is a Hebrew by birth and his name is Fred Wallach. Young Fitzgerald is rightfully named Herman Ziegler. "Sailor" Burke, who has been figuring in the east, has a family title of Chas. Prasser. Frank Carsey is an italian and his name is Frank Carcello. Terry Martin is a Norwegian and his real name is Martin Martinson. Freddie Cole's name is Fred Kohl and he is a German-American by birth. Young Donohue's name is Philip Powers. Many boxers even change their Christian name, like John O'Brien, who adopted the name of "Rouse" O'Brien, and Frank O'Toole, who boxes under the ring name of Tommy O'Toole. Colored boxers have a more elaborate array of titles. The husky candidate for honors in his class known as Young Peter Jackson wears the harmless name of Sim Tompkins off the stage. There is much dispute over Joe Gans' original title, but it is generally believed that his family name was Cotton. To return to the white boxers, Steve Kenney's real name is Herman Wendorf. John Russell prefers to be known as "Unk" Russell, for some reason best known to himself. Harry Lewis has a family name of Henry Besterman. Kid Herman's proper handle is Herman Landfield. In the heavy weight ranks, Tommy Burns' proper name is Noah Brusso. George Memsic sometimes appears under that name and sometimes under the title of Jimmy Burns. Dick Hyland is really named William Uhren. Joe Thomas was born as Joe Daly. As a contrast, many think that Battling Nelson assumed his name. In reality, his full and correct name was Oscar Battling Nelson, and the term "Battler" is an adaptation of his own family name.

Word comes from Sydney that the betting on the Burns-Johnson heavyweight championship fight, to be decided there on December 26, is at even money. While Burns has a strong following in the Australian sporting world, Johnson has made many friends since his arrival at Sydney because of his hard training and his general appearance. In Australia the opinion is prevalent that the coming mill will be strictly on the level and that each man has an equal chance of winning. New York sporting men who have seen both Burns and Johnson in action have not shown any inclination to bet on the fight because of the numerous reports that there is something queer about it, but at that many of the experts believe that Johnson will win. Bob Fitzsimmons, who is in Ireland, was asked the other day for an opinion on the coming mill. He said, without reserve, that he believed Johnson would be successful, for the reason that the negro is a terrific puncher, is heavier and more clever than Burns and consequently can go any distance. As the battle will be to a finish Fitzsimmons says that Johnson can take his time, and by reason of a better physique can wear Burns down. Fitz also declares that Burns has never beaten a first class pugilist, and that his "fights" with second raters in England, Ireland and France did him no good. Burns is charging admission to persons who wish to see him at his quarters in Sydney, which shows that he is still after the dollars. The promoters of the mill say they expect that the gross receipts will be close to $80,000, and that there will be a profit for them. Johnson has been boxing with Joe Grim, the well-known Philadelphia "punching bag," and when he got on the scales the other day he scaled at 198 pounds stripped. Burns will weigh about 12 pounds, it is said, which will enable Johnson to have a pronounced advantage.

Young Corbett will have another chance to show whether he can fight or not at the Southern Athletic club, New Orleans, tonight, when he tackles Phil Brock, a Cleveland lightweight, in a twelve round bout. Corbett has taken off nearly forty pounds for this affair and weighs about 138. He did some hard training in New York before he left for the Crescent City and expressed the belief that he would display some of his old form. But unless Brock is a very poor second rater ring followers believe that Young Corbett will suffer a defeat. The Denver boy has never taken much care of himself, and for that reason it is the general opinion that he will lack the necessary stamina and hitting power. Ty Cobb, the star right fielder of the Detroits, will be the referee.

The California fight promoters are already bidding for a battle between Jem Driscoll and Abe Attell for the featherweight championship of the world. Charley Harvey, Driscoll's manager, has already received an offer from Jas. Coffroth of Colma of 60 per cent. of the receipts. Baron Long of Los Angeles wires that he will give 65 per cent., while Jack Gleason of 'Frisco sends word that the fighters can have 70 per cent. If the match is made it is believed that Coffroth will get it. Attell has been quoted as saying that Driscoll can have a match if he will agree to weigh 122 pounds at the ringside. If Attell sticks to this proposition there may be no fight, as Driscoll is understood to be after better weight terms.

Stanley Ketchel has refused a $7,000 guarantee to meet the winner of the Kelly-Papke fight at Los Angeles next week and gives as an excuse that he is no longer a middleweight.

TEXTILE TEAM

MAN OPENING GAME FROM BOSTON COLLEGE

The Lowell Textile school basket ball team opened its season Saturday night by defeating the fast Boston college team by a score of 31 to 17. Brainard and Bunce played an exceptionally good game for the local team and Churchward carried off the honors for the visitors. The lineup and score:

LOWELL T. S.	BOSTON COLLEGE
Holden, rf	lb, Parle
Bunce, lf	rb, O'Keefe
Brainard, c	c, Doyle
Manning, rb	lf, Churchward
Huntington, Jefferson, lb	rf, Sweeney

Score: Lowell T. S., 31; Boston College, 17. Goals from floor—Brainard 5, Bunce 4, Churchward 4, Holden 3, Doyle 2. Goals from fouls—Textile school 1, Boston college 5. Referee—Hay. Timers—Lee and Newell. Time, 20 minute and 15 minute periods.

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DONOHOE LEADS

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The Y. M. C. I. leads the other teams in the Catholic Duck Pin league this week with the Burkes a close second and the C. M. A. C. and Y. M. C. U. tied for third place. Joseph F. Donohoe of the Knights of Columbus leads in individual average, with McCormack of the Burkes a very close second.

The following is the standing of the teams:

TEAM STANDING

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Y. M. C. I.	14	7	66.6
Burkes	15	9	62.5
C. M. A. C.	13	8	61.9
Y. M. C. U.	13	8	61.9
Belvideres	14	10	58.3
K. of C.	13	11	54.1
St. Louis	11	10	52.3
Alpines	10	14	41.6
St. Peter's	6	18	25.0
St. John's	5	13	20.0

Games for the week of Dec. 14th:
Monday—St. Peter's vs. C. M. A. C. Y. M. C. I. vs. Y. M. C. U.
Tuesday—Alpines vs. Y. M. C. I. St. Louis vs. C. M. A. C.
Wednesday—K. of C. vs. Belvideres
Thursday—Burkes vs. St. Louis.
Friday—St. John's vs. Y. M. C. U.

MINOR LEAGUE

In the Minor league race the Cubs are in first position with the Chestnut Club second and Shawlights third. The Cubs are putting up a very fast game and hold the record for total pinfall in the league. Wilson leads in individual averages. The standing:

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Cubs	17	4	80.9
Chestnut Club	16	5	76.1
Shawlights	12	9	57.1
Frontenacs	10	11	47.6
Nationals	9	12	42.8
Centralvilles	9	12	42.8
Lincolns	6	15	28.5
Americans	6	16	28.8

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Wilson 95, Clark 93, Hall 92, McElroy 92, Corcoran 91, Henderson 91, Michaud 91, McIntyre 91, A. Saunders 91, Davis 91, Carnavle 90, J. Murphy 90, Choquette 91, Peterson 90, T. Murphy 89, Perrin 89, Dwyer 89, Buckley 89, Frenchette 89, H. Demers 89, Richardson 88, Sturtevant 88, Redman 88, Martin 88, W. Grant 88, P. Demers 87, Gilligan 87, Keegan 87, Butterfield 87.

CENTRALS WON

The Centrals defeated the Crosbys on the Crescent alleys Saturday night in a close and well contested game. Caney of the vanquished team was the high roller of the evening. The score:

Centrals	1	2	3	T'l
Kelley	71	81	110	262
Bradley	71	67	85	223
Campbell	82	71	75	228
Kane	89	80	77	246
Noonan	70	78	77	225
Totals	383	377	424	1184

Crosbys				
McCann	66	75	73	214
Shea	64	63	73	200
Donoghue	79	83	74	236
Caney	95	85	96	277
Albert	77	69	100	245
Totals	382	375	416	1173

DIAMOND NOTES

Manila is a great baseball town. Besides 8000 American troops and 15,000 American citizens, there is a population of 250,000 natives to draw from. The natives are interested in and play the game well. Honolulu is the greatest baseball city of its size in the world. It has a better ball park than anything on the Pacific coast. The game is played there the year through, and there are at least eight different leagues in this city of 45,000 people.

Ban Johnson and H. C. Pulliam are going to California immediately to look into the claims of the outlaw league for protection under the national agreement. If it is decided to admit the outlaws to organized baseball Hal Chase will be forced to return to the New York Americans or quit the game. Manager Stallings still insists that he has had no dealings with Chase, but baseball men generally declare that Stallings will have the star first baseman in line when the spring practice begins at Macon. President Helges of the St. Louis Browns said the other day that Chase is one of the greatest ball players that ever put on a uniform and that even in spite of his erratic temperament he would rather have Chase on first base than anybody else. If Chase decides to apply to the commission for reinstatement he will probably have to pay a fine of $200 or more before he can be eligible to play under Stallings' management.

It is a fact that some of the American league club owners were rooting against the Detroits toward the end of the recent pennant race for the reason that they did not care to see them take part in the world's series because of their disastrous defeat at the hands of the Cubs in 1907. These magnates were pulling for either the White Sox or the St. Louis Browns to get into the series with the Chicago Cubs and were undoubtedly disappointed when Detroit won the flag.

Elberfeld will not be a member of the New York Americans next year. That has been settled, and the first favorable offer for his services will be accepted. Several managers want the once great shortstop, but they are not willing to give up his equivalent in playing talent.

From all accounts the Boston Americans have picked up a fine young player in Hooper of California. He is 21 years old and is a civil engineer, having been employed for a time on the new Western Pacific railway. He played his first professional baseball engagement last season as a member of the Sacramento club in the outlaw circuit, but is not on the blacklist as a result. He was the fastest man in the league, batting .341, against such pitchers as Stricklett, Moskiman, Henderson, Brown and others. Hooper is an outfielder, and President John I. Taylor, who discovered and signed him for Boston, says he will make good.

The National league clubs in Brooklyn, Boston and St. Louis are in search of managerial talent. The owners of these clubs have always regarded themselves as expert baseball judges, and for that reason the opinion prevails that managers are not permitted to exercise absolute authority while in their employ. The fact that Boston, Brooklyn and St. Louis have been practically out of the pennant races in recent years shows conclusively that there is something radically wrong.

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ARE 55 YEARS WED

Anniversary Observed by Mr. and Mrs. Learned

Mr. and Mrs. John Learned celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage yesterday at their cosy little home, 496 School street, near the corner of Branch street. While the observance was a very quiet one, the event was celebrated in an appropriate manner. The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Learned were present.

Mrs. Learned will be 80 years of age April 10 next and her husband's 80th birthday will be on July 28.

At the time of their golden anniversary they were congratulated by numerous friends and were the recipients of many beautiful and appropriate presents.

Mr. Learned was born in Piedmont, N. H. He came to Lowell when 21 years old and has lived here since. He was employed for many years at box making for Otis Allen & Son and now he works for John Thompson at box making. His place of employment is a considerable distance from his home, but he is on time in the morning and is able to do a good day's work. He is a member of Wamesit lodge, K. P.; Lexington council, O. U. A. M., and Doreas temple, Pythian Sisters.

Mrs. Learned's maiden name was Pauline H. Gilman and her native place is Norridgewock, Me. Her grandfather, Peter Gilman, served as a soldier in the war of the revolution. Her father brought three of his daughters and three daughters of neighbors from Maine to Lowell in a stage coach. She was nine years old when she came to Lowell.

Mrs. Learned has been a great observer of the many changes and growth of the city and in conversation with a representative of The Sun mentioned a great many of those changes. That she is well able to give a history of the growth of the city goes without saying, owing to the fact that she has been a resident of Lowell for 70 years.

When she first came to Lowell there were but two grammar schools here, the Bartlett and Edson, but at that time they were known as the North and South schools. The high school was located where the Free chapel is in Middlesex street, and there were but few primary schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Learned were married in Haverhill, Dec. 13, 1853. Two children, Edward, now a resident of Ayer, Mass., and Mrs. James E. Lewis of Ashland, Mass., were born to them. There are seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

RISKED HER LIFE

Young Woman Dashed Through Flames

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Miss Mary Grace Lyons, 22 years old, of 8 Wyatt place, Somerville, proved a heroine yesterday afternoon by dashing through flames to save the life of her 18-months-old nephew, Leo Conway, who was asleep in the kitchen of the Lyons' home.

It is feared that Miss Lyons will die of her burns. At the Somerville hospital late last night her condition was reported to be extremely critical. In their efforts to remove the young woman's blazing clothing, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lyons, were also burned.

Miss Lyons was sitting at a kitchen window reading. An unlighted kerosene lamp slid off a shelf, fell on the kitchen range and bounded on the floor. The oil became ignited and for a few seconds the room was a veritable sheet of flames. The covering over the baby in his carriage caught fire.

Disregarding her own danger, Miss Lyons darted through the fire, which ignited her thin house dress, and removed the burning covering from the sleeping baby. She wheeled the carriage into the dining room, where she fell to the floor, crying for aid.

SUNDAY SLEIGHING SKETCHES

FIRST SLEIGHING

Of the Season Enjoyed Yesterday

Great weather for shoe dealers and horseshoers. It would have been better had there been more snow, but nevertheless it caused a material boom in these two lines of business within the past few days and anything that will boom business in any line is to be welcomed like the proverbial "little stranger."

Those who had their sleighs ready for immediate use and horses "sharpened" got busy on Saturday evening and enjoyed their first sleighride. Those who waited until Sunday didn't find the going much good, while those who went out today didn't stay out long for the thaw put the sleighing to the bad. But for a few blissful hours sleighing was fairly good.

The snow and rain made the rubber business boom while the horseshoers were worked hard at "sharpening."

Today was an ideal day for fishing through the ice on the neighboring ponds and many took advantage of it. The ice is thick enough for the purposes of fishing while the temperature could not be improved upon for ice fishing.

The coming of snow has raised the ante-Christmas enthusiasm of all for somehow, though it has never been explained beyond the old Scotch adage of the green Christmas and the fat kirkyard, rich and poor alike rejoice upon seeing a snow mantled Christmas season.

30,000 LABORERS

Killed By Accidents the Past Year

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Between 30,000 and 35,000 deaths and two million injured is the accident record in the United States during the past year among workingmen, according to a bulletin on accidents issued today by the bureau of labor. Of those employed in factories and workshops it is stated that probably the most exposed class are the workers in iron and steel. Fatal accidents among electricians and electric linemen and coal miners are declared to be excessive while railroad trainmen were killed in the proportion of 7.46 deaths per 1000 employes.

The bulletin declares that much that could be done for the protection of the workingman is neglected, although many and far reaching improvements have been introduced in factory practice during the last decade.

GRIFFITH DEAD

On the Eve of His Wedding

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A devotion to his sweetheart that would not permit his leaving her bedside when she was ill of typhoid fever, cost the life of Frank Griffith, 34 years of age, a Northwestern university athlete of the early '90s, just on the eve of his wedding. Some months ago Griffith's fiancee, Miss Susan Haddock, fell ill with the fever, but was sustained in the fight by the presence of Griffith at her side. She recovered but he was stricken with the same malady and died yesterday.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

The first question one asks when the press and the bill boards announce the annual visit of any of the well known repertoire companies, is "Well, I wonder what they have new, this year?" which proves that the demand for novelties among those who patronize the popular price attractions is just as keen, as with those who attend the high price attractions exclusively. One of the leading repertoire attractions which visits this city annually is the Adam Good company, which, being under progressive management, is always to the fore with new ideas and up-to-date offerings. Among the good things they will present during their engagement at the Opera House this week commencing tonight, is a play with a brand new theme, a love story without a hero, titled "The Little Gray Lady," from the facile pen of Channing Pollock, author of "The Secret Orchard," and the dramatic version of "In The Bishop's Carriage." The play is a story of Washington life, its characters, sharply defined, are just plain, ordinary folks, its movement is easy, the interest does not flag, and its people are human and believable. For that reason the play strikes home, and one's interest is just as much centered in the last act as in the first. The dialogue is crisp, there are little touches of nature here and there that bring the moisture to the eye, while the natural development of the unusual plot makes "The Little Gray Lady," a play that is well worth seeing.

ROBERT EDESON

When Robert Edeson arrives here next Wednesday for his annual local engagement at the Opera House, where he will be seen in his new play, "The Call of the North," the popular star will have completed an automobile trip of two months' duration. Since the opening of his tour in Atlantic City, on October 5th, Mr. Edeson has been traveling in his Mercedes touring car, and will have covered over 8000 miles through New York, Pennsylvania and New England, before he arrives here.

"THE MERRY WIDOW"

During the full year's engagement of "The Merry Widow" in New York, the piece was seen by one man forty-six times. During its Boston run of 150 performances one man witnessed the charming Viennese operetta twenty-eight times. These record "repeaters" are the best tests of real merit in an opera.

HATHAWAY'S THEATRE

Those who delight in seeing an absorbing and well-written sketch, well presented, will have their desire gratified at Hathaway's theatre, this week. "A Lamb on Wall Street," is this sketch and it is acted by Bert Coote and company. Mr. Coote has been seen in several highly amusing acts in vaudeville, among which "Supper for Two" will be remembered as a particularly agreeable effort. "A Lamb on Wall Street" is his latest sketch, which will be seen here for the first time, and which was written jointly by Herbert Hall Winslow and Mr. Coote. As the younger member of a firm on Wall street, who is being initiated into the mysteries of bulls and bears, longs and shorts, he excites laughter and interest by his boyish manner and the consummate shrewdness with which he meets the most trying situations.

The Sutcliffe family, of seven members, appear in one of the best Scotch acts ever put over the circuit. There are pipers and dancers and acrobats. All of the members of this family have appeared in the English halls and in many parts of America. Their act is sure of wide appreciation. Cal Stewart, the rube comedian, known throughout the land for his ability as an entertainer, has always scored a big hit wherever he has appeared. As a maker of phonograph records he holds a top position, and he has undoubtedly told more stories and sung more songs to the phonograph than any man or woman. Dainty and refined musicians are the three Weston sisters. They play on a variety of instruments. Harry LeClair is the best female impersonator this city has ever seen. Ryan and White, are lively steppers and are declared to be one of the best pairs before the public today. Savo, the kid juggler, opens the bill. The program closes with moving pictures.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

The success of the Academy of Music as a moving picture theatre was demonstrated beyond a peradventure last week when crowded houses were the rule throughout the week and the constant increase in attendance has shown the management that a first class motion picture and vaudeville theatre in Lowell will be a paying proposition. Hon. Joseph J. Flynn, lessee of the Academy, held a conference with the owners of the theatre relative to making extensive changes in the theatre for next season and installing a first class moving picture theatre that will have no superior in New England. His proposition includes the dropping of the stage to the ground floor, the establishment of a large foyer, retiring rooms and smoking room and the addition of another balcony. The owners of the property are said to be agreeable to his proposition and he is now in communication with theatrical architects relative to plans for the proposed new theatre. During the coming week moving pictures and illustrated songs will form the program and three reels of pictures will be given including for subjects pictures of a dramatic, humorous and historical nature and all new films. Mr. William Rouse will be heard again in new illustrated songs and there will be a complete change of bill on Thursday. Next week talking pictures will be the attraction. Admission 10 cents, all seats free and children half price.

THEATRE VOYONS

Today one of the best programs of the season will be offered at the Theatre Voyons. The leading story picture will be "The Queen of the Arena," a story of circus life which will surely please the patrons of motion pictures for practically the same story has been playing to packed houses under the stage name of "Polly of the Circus." The leading comedy will be "The Acrobatic Maid" and it's sure to be as big a hit as "A Runaway Horse," "Her First Bike Ride," and several other like pictures for the principal comedian is the same in each. "The Acrobatic Maid" is a laugh from beginning to end and the antics of this lively female together with an entire family in whose service she is who are also taken with a desire to develop their athletic propensities make one of the funniest of recent pictures.

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This is by far the largest net average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

BOSTON'S ELECTION.

Tomorrow the city of Boston will hold its election. This year it does not elect a mayor, and hence the excitement is not so intense as if two or more candidates were striving for the mastery. This will probably be the last election that Boston will hold under its present charter, as the people seem to be anxious for the change and the legislature only too ready to make the experiment.

THE CONVICTION OF RUEF.

The trial of Abe Ruef of San Francisco on the charge of bribing a supervisor, had been in progress 106 days when given to the jury, Wednesday afternoon. The trial has attracted extraordinary attention owing to the prominence of Ruef and the shooting of Heney, the chief prosecutor, by a convicted criminal who had been rejected when drawn on the jury. Ruef's conviction is but the logical outcome of his boldness in every species of grafting. Every conviction of this kind is a victory for the forces of good government.

BACK TO THE FARMS.

Already we have remarked on more than one occasion that it is a very grave mistake for the vast bulk of the people to rely upon manufactures for their sustenance. The earth holds boundless treasures that she gives up only in exchange for labor.

The farmer who tills the soil in a scientific way will be well repaid in abundant crops; the miner who uses scientific knowledge in conjunction with manual labor will also reap a rich reward, and the man who converts the lumber of the forest into building material, ready for use, can rely upon being well recompensed.

The farms especially are most available and most easily made productive. There is no good reason nowadays why the young man will abandon the farm for city or factory life. On the contrary it would be better for many who live in the cities and work year in and year out in the factories, if they would go out to the farms, take up the cultivation of the soil and prosecute it with as much regularity and assiduity as must be given to factory work.

It is a well known fact that if a man of intelligence works as hard on a farm of his own, he can save more money than he can by working in the factory that is not his own. Moreover there is variety and inspiration in the work. It imparts strength and vigor of mind and body whereas there is nothing more calculated to shrivel up the faculties than long continued employment at mechanical operations that call for little or no mental effort.

It is an easy matter to rent a piece of land and make it productive. In a short time the produce would enable the cultivator to purchase it outright. Men who have any spare time from their regular occupation should take up some waste land and cultivate it. If it be only a vegetable garden it will pay well for the labor expended upon it.

There is a great opportunity for farmers, market gardeners and florists to make money at the prices that prevail at present for such products. If farmers raised cattle for slaughter they would certainly have good profit even at less than trust prices. The same may be said of pork, poultry, eggs, mutton, oats and wheat.

If Lowell had a public market it would be a great inducement to many residents of Lowell to embark in market gardening which is a very profitable pursuit when skilfully conducted.

With eggs 60 cents a dozen there is great inducement to those who can raise poultry to do so and to adopt the best means of preserving eggs so that those who corner the market and raise the prices may not have things entirely their own way.

In the suburbs of Lowell and even within the limits of our city there are many tracts of waste land that can be made productive by comparatively little labor. Here is an opportunity for the men who have some leisure time and who are willing to do a little manual labor that will bring them an abundance of fresh vegetables in the summer with perhaps a supply of the less perishable to last through the autumn.

The advantages, financial and otherwise, to be obtained by paying more attention to the farms, the gardens and forests, cannot be too strongly impressed upon our residents in order to turn the attention of a reasonable number of them from the factories as the only source of employment by which they can earn a living. We want a diversity of industries, but to promote this it would be well for our citizens to endeavor, as far as possible, to find a diversity of employment. So long as practically all look to the factories our prosperity will never be secure.

While we urge those who can conveniently do so, to draw upon the wealth to be obtained from the soil, yet we do not intend in the least to disparage the advantages of technical skill and its rewards in the mills of Lowell. On the contrary we would urge those who do not take to farming to avail themselves of the opportunities for advancement resulting from the acquisition of textile trades. These trades can be acquired in the Lowell textile school or by experience in the mills. The man is to be pitied who plods along in the same rut day after day and year after year without any ambition to rise or to improve his condition. Such a man can have no hope of advancement, and he should understand from the experience of those around him that it is only by personal effort and unceasing industry that men rise in the industrial scale to positions where their services will be liberally rewarded.

SEEN AND HEARD

The police officials should get after delinquents who fail to remove snow from the sidewalks. There are several places within the city limits where the sidewalks are now not shoveled, notwithstanding that the snow storm occurred on Saturday.

There are cases in Lowell where people leave empty ash cans and refuse barrels on the sidewalk for forty-eight hours after the board of health team has removed the contents of them. In one case a man running to catch a car on a dark night fell over one of these obstacles and was injured.

Sergt. "Tom" McCloughry of the local police is in receipt of a miniature copy of the Australian Star, published at Sydney. The front page contains a welcome picture to the American fleet. The date of the issue is Aug. 20. Several pages are devoted to the American fleet and its arrival and on page seven there appear the words and music of a song of welcome entitled "Rulers of the Sea." Australia's welcome to Columbia. The miniature edition abounds in cuts and pictures, and it is very evident that the Australian Star is a progressive and up-to-date sheet. The pony edition was sent to Mr. McCloughry, by his sister, who lives in Sydney.

"Say," said the joker, "do you know what they do out west when it snows like this?"

"No, I don't; what do they do?" responded the Lowell man in grouty manner.

"Why, they just let it snow," cheerfully explained the joker.

"Do you know what they do in Lowell?" asked the Lowell man.

"No," responded the joker.

"They turn it into rain," said the testy one, adding "This is the blanketyest weather I ever saw!"

If you are looking for Christmas bargains, "there's no place like home."

Santa Claus never went down a chimney with any more rapidity than Danny Gleason of the Lowell Cadet band went down in Central street Saturday morning while marching along blowing into the bass horn in the Santa Claus parade. The horn is so large that Danny can't see anything ahead of him but brass when playing on it, and he has to walk along without looking. The band was coming down Central street with Danny blowing cellar notes that shook the big buildings, when his feet struck a slippery rail at the corner of Prescott street and the feet went out, the horn up, and Danny down, landing with a resounding bump in the snow. It was several minutes before he had recovered sufficient wind to produce any more cellar notes.

THE GAME

Too well I know we lost,
I will not count the cost—
Ours is no victor's claim,
But then—we played the game.
We had our hour of flame
And scorned the safe retreat.
So take we life's defeat.
No weakness and no shame
Were ours to spoil the game;
We bear no part in blame,
Life has no better part.
What counts the broken heart,
Or feeble slave of fame?
It's all to play the game;
To win or lose the same.

Leap year is drawing to a close with several unmarried women left in stock.

THE BALLAD OF PRUE

Miss Prue Priscilla Perkins was a prim
New England maid,
And she never had a suitor since her
hair came out of braid.
Though she looked like Dresden china,
when in Sunday best arrayed.

But Prue went West one summer and
she proudly wrote her name
On a stake upon the prairie, where the
wild sunflowers flame,
And she built a painless dwelling on
a treeless, manless claim.

It wasn't long, it happens, ere the news
was spread broadcast,
And the cowboys came to view her—
and they came a-riding fast—
And Miss Prue, who'd had no suitors,
said: "The tide has turned at last!"

Now ponies cluster Sundays round the
Perkins ranch house small,
And the Perkins parlor bursteth with
admirers short and tall.
And a ticket to New England wouldn't
please Miss Prue at all!

Arthur Chapman in the Denver Republican.

You may abuse your enemy, your friend and your kin, and possibly escape; punishment, but if you abuse your stomach you will have to account for it.

Only one week from next Friday to Christmas. Now is the best time to make the purchases that the holiday season calls for, and those who shop early get the best bargains in the quality of their purchases and the prices they will have to pay. The rush and crush and discomfort of the last week before Christmas can all be avoided if the holiday shopping is attended to early and the presents bought and the matter off the mind. And in planning for a shopping expedition the stores of Lowell should not be overlooked. Our progressive merchants, in anticipation of the holiday trade, have laid in stocks of goods that cannot fail to secure the attention of critical as well as careful buyers, and an early inspection of their attractive wares will convince the customer that no mistake will be made by trading in Lowell.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Boston Herald: With withdrawal of the education bill by the Liberal ministry, following soon after the house of lords' rejection of the licensing bill, rumor again takes up the tale and predicts that exigencies of strife within the liberal party and criticism from without will soon force the ministry to appeal to the people again, and that right early. Which done, so say readers of omens, there will be a liberal reverse and the return to power of the coalition of tories, liberal unionists and conservatives by nature or interest. In proof of which they point to the result of most of the recent bye-elections. Authorities differ as to who is most to blame for the final rejection of the compromise education bill. It is not important to decide, for extremists in both the Anglican and the Nonconformist folds succeeded in defeating the moderates, and once more the nation is face to face with bitter strife over an issue that the colonies and the United States settled long ago. In its licensing bill the ministry challenged the most thoroughly entrenched "vested" interests.

SWEET MILK

Lawrence Telegram: Some farmers can have sure-enough sweet milk if they follow the example of the enterprising farmer who is the subject of the following in the New York World:

"The Wisconsin dairyman who has found that molasses fattens his cows and increases their milk while improving the quality has merely put to practical use the enlightened view of the dietetic value of sugar which we owe to the new chemistry of food.

"The notion that sweets are deleterious in themselves has gone the way of other food fallacies. In its place is the scientific recognition of sugar as the equal of starch in fat-forming and heat-producing qualities and its inclusion as a ration in the diet of the German soldier. Confectionery with a 'fuel value' of 1880 calories surpasses roast beef, porterhouse steak, mutton chops and bread, while chocolate leads the whole list of articles of diet in supply energy.

"Who knows but some investigator of the future will find in the mathee girl's caramels the foundation of that physical vigor and mental alertness which is the admiration of foreign observers? Or discover in our seventy-six pounds per capita consumption of sugar annually the physical basis of our eminence among nations?"

PEOPLE OF NOTE

Dr. Helen Bourchier, an English suffragette, who has served a short term in prison, throws some light on the psychology of the released convict. Sometimes a convict, after a long term of confinement, comes to prefer the cell to the clash of the outside world, to which all his faculties have become strangers. Many ex-convicts never regain their ability to cope with life. "I found," says Dr. Bourchier, "even that short term of imprisonment in some subtle way affecting my mind. The trivial incidents of the prison life, that at first I had known and found to be absolutely unimportant, began to loom larger and larger before my mental vision, and I found myself losing all sense of proportion. . . But the fact which showed me most startlingly the effect produced on my mind by the unnatural conditions of seclusion, silence and monotony which prevailed in Holloway was the growth of a strange feeling of apprehension, of shrinking from the outside world."

Miss Laura A. Hecox has kept the light at Santa Cruz (Cal.) for 27 years. In all that time the light has never failed; nor has one ship been lost off Santa Cruz.

Mme. Sembrich is saying explicitly to her friends and to interviewers in New York that her approaching retirement from opera will leave her only the freer for song recitals and that she expects to return to America—and more than once—for them.

Mr. Warfield has been saying in Chicago that next year Mr. Belasco will give him a new play; that hereafter he is to act Shylock in "The Merchant of Venice," and ultimately King Lear in Shakespeare's tragedy. His design seemingly is to make a repertoire that shall range from "The Music Master" and "A Grand Army Man" upward.

When the president's message reached the senate, says the New York Times, there was a dignified march of senators in the direction of the cloak rooms. A number remained in their seats, but they did not listen to the reading. Copies of it were on the desks and a few turned the leaves of the pamphlet idly. There was a noticeable absence of enthusiasm or comment. The republican senators, naturally, acknowledged that it was a "powerful and statesmanlike paper," but they refrained from hysteria. The democrats merely sniffed. It was no better and no worse than similar papers in the past, they agreed.

The message was received in the house without the least pretence of enthusiasm. At one time only thirty-four republicans were in the chamber, and all but a few of these were reading newspapers, writing letters, or talking in twos and threes. The speaker was present part of the time, but his attention was completely absorbed in conversation with Mr. Boutell. Only once something like a handicap was heard, but that turned out to be Representative Longworth, the president's son-in-law, attracting the attention of a page. At the conclusion of the reading Mr. Payne sprang to his feet and moved that the message and its accompanying document be referred to the committee of the whole house for distribution.

The recent gift of A. G. Spalding to the University of Chicago, calls attention to a unique feature of the university library, namely, the collection on athletics and physical culture housed in the Bartlett gymnasium. This collection ranks as a branch library, and receives an annual appropriation for the purchase of books; but its most important accessions have been by gift. Early in its career the library received in this manner the bulk of the baseball collection gathered by George Wright, a famous player of Boston; and a few years later the valuable library of Karl Euler of Berlin was bought and presented to the university by Walter Wilson of Chicago. The collection, which now embraces material of great value to the historian of sport, was recently visited by Mr. Spalding, who offered to fill the gaps in baseball material from his own library. Mr. Spalding possesses, besides the material which he has himself gathered, the library of the late Henry Chadwick, known as the "father of baseball," and part of that of George Wright. It is hoped from his own library, Mr. Spalding's collection may also, in course of time, find its way to the Bartlett gymnasium.

GOT BURGLAR

WOMAN SENT FOR HER HUSBAND AND SON

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 14.—"Come home at once!" was the message telephoned by Mrs. George E. Hackett last night to her husband, who was at a restaurant on Main street. Without stopping to ask questions Mr. Hackett and his son Charles ran to their home on the corner of Federal and Bank streets, where they found a man trying to break in at a back window.

The man was finally captured in the Centre street schoolhouse yard, after a lively chase, Mr. Hackett and his son being assisted by special officers John S. Towne and Leslie Stetson.

BRESNAHAN FOR MANAGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Stanley Robertson, owner of the St. Louis National league baseball club announced Saturday that he had completed a deal by which Roger Bresnahan, the famous catcher of the New York National league club, will go to St. Louis as manager of the National League club of that city. St. Louis will give Karger and either Frommie or Lush to Cincinnati in return for Catcher Schlei and will then exchange Schlei, Outfielder Murray and Pitcher Raymond of St. Louis with New York in exchange for Bresnahan.

SCHOONER WRECKED

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The steamer Vigilancia, which arrived Saturday night from Nassau, had on board Capt. Gaul and his crew of eight men of the schooner Horace Macomber, which, while bound from Rockport, Mass., for Key West, was wrecked on Mossells shoal. The schooner was built at Newburyport, Mass., in 1890, and was owned in Boston. Her net registered tonnage was 96 tons.

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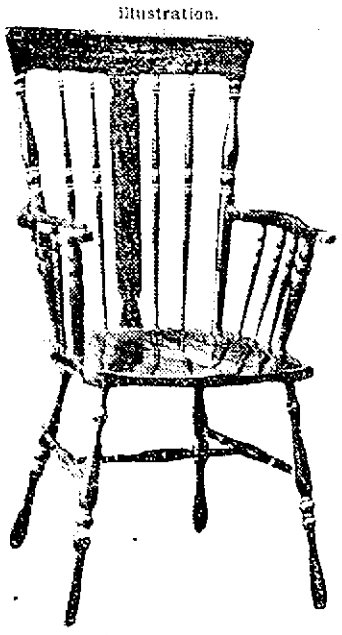

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PACIFIC FLEET

Arrived at Panama Sunday Morning

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—The Pacific armored cruiser fleet arrived here yesterday at noon and anchored in the harbor, near the Yorktown, which preceded the big cruisers by one day. It was half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning when the eight cruisers first came into view of the expectant crowds. The flagship West Virginia, headed the column and the others followed in single file in this order: Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, California, South Dakota, and Washington.

A big crowd watched the manoeuvring of the fleet as it entered the harbor and steamed to its landing place.

The voyage from Magdalena was without special event, and all was reported well on board. Special arrangements have been made to entertain the officers and sailors ashore.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Man Got Off at Wrong Station

WAKEFIELD, Dec. 14.—Jas. J. Cronin of 18 Emerald street was killed shortly after midnight by being struck by a train which left Boston at 11.35 last night. It is supposed that he left Boston on the 11.05 train from Boston and got off at Greenwood by mistake, that he then started to walk to Wakefield, about a mile distant. When near the Wakefield Junction tower house, he was struck by the engine of the last train from Boston. He was taken to Wakefield station on the train and Dr. Sopher summoned. It was found that his neck was broken and he had several deep cuts about the head. He died fifteen minutes after reaching Wakefield.

MRS. ALLEN INJURED

Mrs. John Allen of Henry street broke her left leg yesterday about noon. The ambulance was summoned and she was taken from 346 Suffolk street to her home.

THE 10-HOUR DAY

Breaking Down the Health of Women Says Commission

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 14.—"After giving this matter careful study, we are fully convinced that the 10-hour day for women in our manufacturing establishments, under the present system of high speed and large number of machines to be tended, is more than flesh and blood can stand," states Thomas J. Lyons of Vinal Haven, commissioner of industrial and labor statistics, in his annual report touching on the question of shorter hours for women and children. The report was given to the press yesterday.

Continuing, Commissioner Lyons says: "Assuming that women are less able physically to stand the confinement and fatigue of factory work than men—in short, that the 10-hour day tends inevitably to shorten life, and that the state has the right to legislate for their protection, two propositions that cannot be successfully gainsaid, it is certainly the duty of th state to fix the hours of labor for women at such length as to give them the opportunity of obtaining a livelihood without positive danger of breaking down their health and of endangering the vitality of their offspring.

Worse Than Old 13-Hour Day

"There can be no question but that the 13-hour day of the early factory work in Lowell, where women were obliged to tend no more looms and frames than they could easily take care of, and they had plenty of time to sit and rest, sometimes 20 or 30 minutes at a time, was not so wearing or detrimental to health as the 10-hour day of the present time, when, with machinery at a much higher speed than formerly, a woman tends 10 spinning frames or from 12 to 16 Draper looms, which require her almost constant attention."

"It may be argued that the woman at domestic service works longer hours than her sister in the factory and without greater detriment to her health. This is undoubtedly true. But it is the conditions under which a person works which make for health or disease.

"The domestic works in a comparatively pure atmosphere, and her work is so varied that it can hardly become monotonous. She is not 'tied to a machine,' either mentally or physically; while on the other hand, the factory operative, besides her physical labor, is under a constant mental strain during her entire day's work, and this often where the very air she breathes is debilitating.

Injury to Children

"It is claimed by reliable medical authorities that the death rate among children of factory operatives is excessively high, due in part to the debilitated physical condition of the mothers and in part to the neglect and improper and irregular feeding of the children in the absence of the mothers."

THE CATHOLICS

Number 16,000,000 in United States

ROME, Dec. 14.—Mgr. Glennon, the archbishop of St. Louis, was the first to be received by the pope Saturday since his recent indisposition. Among the many matters laid before the pope by Mgr. Glennon was a statement concerning the first real attempt at a Catholic census in the United States, to which work the archbishop was appointed by the government.

"His holiness," says Mgr. Glennon, "was much impressed on hearing that the figures positively ascertained by us greatly increase the former estimate. Our results show about 14,000,000, from which 15 per cent. is to be deducted in the printed reports to allow for children under a certain age who are not counted.

"I explained to the pope that while these are the figures reached in the official count, a great deal of supplementary information convinces me that the actual number of Catholics in the United States is not short of 16,000,000.

"The pope asked me many questions about the Italians in the United States, and he was pleased when I told him of a colony from northern Italy settled in my diocese who made splendid American citizens and are doing well in the world, besides being a credit to the church.

"I was also commissioned by the president and directors of the St. Louis exposition to offer to the pope their congratulations and present him a gold medal commemorative of the event. The medal is similar to those already presented by Mr. Francis to the German and Austrian Emperors, the King of England and the president of the French republic. It was struck by the United States mint, and is an excellent work of art."

The archbishop of St. Louis, with Mgr. Allen, bishop of Mobile, Ala., assisted at the great academic event of the Roman scholastic year, namely, the conferring of degrees and the awarding of distinctions at the great international university of the propaganda.

FOUGHT A DUEL

One Man May be Fatally Injured

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 14.—After a duel with knives lasting about 15 minutes on Franklin street last night, Pasquale Marano was taken to the hospital with several deep cuts in the face and breast, and Raphael Blaso was taken to the police station with a lacerated arm. It is believed that Marano is fatally injured.

Both men are city laborers, and the cause of the fight dates several years back, before either had come to this country. Both loved the same woman but neither got her. Neither could live in the same city with her as the wife of another. Both emigrated, but at different times. They met in Concord when both had married. But the enmity between them which had begun in their native land had not died out. They worked side by side, but it was not until last night that any mention of their previous differences was made.

TO SINGLE MEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Sixty winners in the drawings for homestead on the Rosebud reservation formed a permanent association here yesterday. The chief problem submitted to the single men follows:

"Would you marry a girl to go out to a new country and build a home with you with the chance of having to live for the first five years of your married life on farms separated by thirty miles of prairie?"

Committees were formed to deal with the difficulties confronting the prospective settlers.

BURNED TO DEATH

Mother and Daughter Perished in Fire

BRUNSWICK, Vt., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Laura Smith, housekeeper for James Gilkey, a wealthy farmer here, and her two-year-old daughter were burned to death early yesterday in a fire that destroyed Mr. Gilkey's farm buildings on the North Stratford road, about two miles from the latter place.

Mr. Gilkey himself escaped in his night clothes, but was so dazed by the excitement that he is unable to tell a connected story. It is not known how the fire originated.

Mr. Gilkey succeeded in saving a desk containing some valuable papers, but practically everything else is a complete loss.

The buildings were of a better class than ordinary farm buildings, and the loss upon them will probably reach $5000 or $6000.

PRINCE CHUN

TO RECEIVE A SALARY OF $105,000

PEKING, Dec. 14.—Statutes fixing the official status of Prince Chun, the regent, were published today. The prince is to receive an annual salary of $150,000 taels about $105,000 and is made commander-in-chief of both the land and sea forces of the empire.

A palace will be built for him near the sight of the late dowager's winter residence.

CASTRO IN COLOGNE

COLOGNE, Dec. 14.—President Castro arrived here last evening from Paris and spent the night at a hotel. Early today he started with the members of his party for Berlin. The president looks to be a sick man.

LOST AND FOUND

HAND PAINTED MINIATURE PENDANT attached to gold chain, lost Friday eve., Dec. 11, in Hathaway theatre or in vicinity of Market and Central sts. Finder please return to Sun Office.

PAIR TAN KID GLOVES lost in or near Northern depot. Finder will receive reward for return of same to W. H. I. Hayes' cigar store.

EMERALD ROSARY BEADS, gold linked, lost Saturday morning between Immaculate Conception church and Fort Hill. Please return to 183 Pleasant street.

POCKETBOOK LOST on the Broadway car or on Merrimack st., Saturday noon, Dec. 12, containing sum of money. Reward if returned to Sun Office.

ENVELOPE LOST containing sunburst pin, between 98 and 62 Central st. Liberal reward at A. E. Sully's, 62 Central st.

EYE SPECTACLES found in Merrimack sq., Thursday morning. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this ad. at Sun Office.

Lowell Institution for Savings

Under authority of Section 40, Chapter 590 of the Acts of 1906, I, George S. Barrows, now of Kansas City, Mo., administrator, do hereby give notice that I have made written application to the Lowell Institution for Savings, Lowell, Mass., for a duplicate deposit book of Account No. 41454, standing in the name of William E. Barrows, which said deposit book is lost or destroyed. Signed,

GEORGE S. BARROWS,
Administrator,
Kansas City, Mo.

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LEGAL NOTICES

CONSTABLE'S SALE

Middlesex ss. Lowell, Dec. 14, 1908.

Taken on mense process on a writ of M. Carney & Co. against John B. Clancy and will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described property: 1 Bay Horse, 1 Express Wagon, 1 Express Harness, lot Burlap, Ropes, etc., at 319 Moody street, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1908, at 2.30 p. m.

E. K. McGAUVRAN,
Constable of Lowell.

Notice is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Ernest F. Curtice, late of Berwick, in the State of Maine, deceased, intestate, having estate in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Harvey B. Harriman, Administrator, 40 Wilbur st.

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 12, 1908.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of John Harrington, late of Billerica in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by John Harrington, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Ella J. Ketchum, of Holliston, in said County; that she was lawfully married to Albert B. Ketchum, now of parts unknown, at Holliston, Massachusetts, on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1884, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Albert B. Ketchum lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Holliston, and said libellant has resided in this Commonwealth for more than five years next preceding the filing of this libel and that she did not come into this state for the purpose of securing a divorce; that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Albert B. Ketchum, being wholly regardless of the same, at Deposit, in the State of New York, on or about the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1886, and at divers other times was guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Albert B. Ketchum.

Dated this 23rd day of November, A. D. 1908.

ELLA J. KETCHUM.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Nov. 27, A. D. 1908.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,
THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

UPRIGHT PIANOS—W. F. Trumbell has just received a carload of extra fine upright pianos, the stock is full of great bargains. Call at once, 101 Westford street.

PING PONGS FREE—Be the lucky one. Every 20th sitter gets his Ping Pongs free. Ping Pong Studio, 258 Merrimack st.

PLUMBER AND FITTER, jobbing a specialty. Estimates furnished free. Fred E. Whitney, 311 Market st.

TRIMMED HATS greatly reduced. Nice frames 25 cents. Agnes Berard's millinery parlors, room 41, Chalifoux Bldg.

MARY A. MULHOLLAND—Maternity nurse. 656 Gorham st., Tel. 1023-3.

STORAGE—Several places for storage at Stott's block. Inquire 392 Middlesex st.

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS—Razors, scissors and knives sharpened in first-class shape, at Harry Gonzales, 123 Gorham st. Tel. 952-2.

DRINK GLORIA for health; sold everywhere.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

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COW—New milch roan family cow for sale. Inquire 101 Greenmont ave., Dracut Centre.

DRIVING SLEIGH for sale. First class spring, all in perfect condition. Apply at 42 Hildreth Bldg., or tel. 1888.

EDISON HOME PHONOGRAPH and records for sale. Only used a short time. E. H. Fletcher, 769 Gorham st.

TWO EXTRA LARGE CAST IRON STOVES for sale at Green's Bargain store, 72 Middlesex st. Just the thing for a hall, club room, or saloon.

ONE HORSE SLED, Traverse runners, for sale. Inquire at 189 Cumberland Road, Centralville.

CANARY BIRDS for sale. Inquire 417 Dutton st.

FUR SET—Lady's elegant chestnut brown Marten, long flat stole and rug muff. I must sacrifice for $12. Exceptional opportunity. Address S. S., Sun Office.

POOL TABLE for sale. Must be sold at once. No reasonable offer refused. Inquire 120 Charles st.

COUNTER AND DESK for sale. Inquire of John McMenamin, 212 Merrimack st.

RETAIL BUTTER CO., doing $70,000 business yearly; will sell controlling interest for $5000 cash; balance suit; fine opportunity. Address Riker, 791 Broad, Newark, N. J.

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE—J. J. Gallagher has received a car load of fine Christmas trees from the state of Maine and will take orders for the wholesale trade for this week only. Order now and we will keep it for you until Christmas.

HORSE FOR SALE—Good opportunity to procure a good animal, willing worker and warranted to succeed in any capacity to prove the above statement. For particulars call at McMannon's, 6 Prescott st.

SECOND HAND FURNITURE of all kinds, anything you have to sell we will buy and pay more than any other dealer. Send postal and we will call, 667 Middlesex st.

A BAKER SHOP in a fine location, horse, also baker's team for sale. The owner is leaving the city and therefore will sacrifice at a great bargain. Address Z. E., Sun Office.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

CHRISTMAS BARGAINS IN REAL ESTATE—Several one, two and four family properties, splendid locations, tempting values for investors and homeseekers. Drop in Saturday or Monday evening. May just suit you. M. J. Sharkey, room 35, Chalifoux Bldg., 22 Central st. Tel.

GOOD PAYING PROPERTY for sale, No. 22 Walnut st. Inquire of James R. Adams, Billerica Road.

FOUR TENEMENT BLOCK in Navy Yard for sale; also 1 cottage on Sixth st., 1 cottage on Fisher st. Nice building lot on Moody st. Inquire of John McMenamin, 212 Merrimack st.

COTTAGE HOUSE of 6 rooms on Washington st., North Chelmsford, for sale. Gas, hot and cold water, bath. For further particulars inquire Miner & O'Neil, North Chelmsford.

7-ROOM HOUSE in Centralville, near Wachusett st. for sale, 4000 feet of land. Fine, high location, near cars. Gas, sewer, water, etc. $1700. Eugene G. Russell, 407 Middlesex st., near depot.

2-TENEMENT HOUSE near Exeter st. for sale. 6 and 7 rooms. Baths, in excellent condition. Price $2800. Eugene G. Russell, 407 Middlesex st., near depot.

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2-TENEMENT HOUSE on Gates st. for sale. 9 rooms to each ten. Steam and baths, set tubs, etc. Make us an offer—must sell. Eugene G. Russell, 407 Middlesex st., near depot.

VILLAGE RESIDENCE—5c fare. 7 rooms, pantry, bath, steam heat, cement cellar, 10,000 ft. land, fruit, hen house. All first class. Easy terms. $2000. W. E. Dodge 22 Central st.

NINE ROOM HOUSE—On Beacon st. Hot and cold water, hot water heating and hardwood floors. Collins & Hogan, real estate and insurance, Mansur block.

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Spoolers & Reelers WANTED

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Christmas Gifts

There is nothing that you can give your father, brother, cousin or best fellow for a Christmas gift better than one of those beautiful pipes exhibited in the window of Buckley Bros., the Central st. cigar manufacturers. They have made a special box of Boston Terriers and Buck's Best, 25 cigars in a box. They are just the right size for Christmas trade. James H. Buckley & Co., 131 Central and 480 Middlesex st.

TO LET

A GOOD TENEMENT to let at a low rent in Brown's blocks, Marshall st. Key at No. 1.

6-ROOM TENEMENT in Pawtucketville, to let, pleasant, bath, gas, hot water, sewer connection, open plumbing. Two car lines. Apply 80 Varnum ave., phone 1019-1.

FOUR ROOM TENEMENT to let. Nice and sunny, with large shed, all in thorough repair. Small family. Price $2 per week. No. 25 Fulton st., Centralville, near mills. Apply 276 Westford st.

4 and 5-ROOM TENEMENTS to let at 482 Moody street. All new, hot and cold water. Telephone 1638-3.

SIX ROOM COTTAGE at cor. of Congress and Thorndike sts. to let. Excellent, pleasant and sunny. Gas, sewer, water, big yard room. Just been painted and papered throughout. $11.50 per month. Eugene G. Russell, 407 Middlesex st., near depot.

5-ROOM FLAT on Andover st. with bath, set tubs, to let, rent $15. Apply Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

5-ROOM UPSTAIRS TENEMENT, cor. Charles and Central sts. to let. Rent $12. Apply Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

6-ROOM TENEMENT, 1 Hildreth st. to let. Rent $12. Apply Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

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TWO TENEMENT HOUSE, cor. Holden and Westford sts. opp. Tyler park, to let, containing 7 and 8 large rooms, newly finished, with all modern conveniences, pantry, bath, hot and cold water, wash trays, steam heat and hardwood floors, etc. Inquire 52 West Adams or 31 Methuen sts.

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TENEMENT—Good and warm, to let at a low rent. Inquire 139 Moody st.

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NICE TENEMENT on Stackpole st. to let; also nice tenement on George st., in Navy Yard, on Lakeview ave. Inquire of John McMenamin, 212 Merrimack st.

FRONT ROOM in modern house to let. Bay window, 19 Paige st., near Kirk.

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a6.27	7.41	7.55	8.55
a6.44	7.33	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.30	9.00	9.39
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.37
7.23	8.05	10.21	a1.34
a7.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.56
8.59	9.40	1.00	1.37
b9.27	10.35	2.00	3.02
9.38	10.19	3.00	3.57
10.45	11.40	b3.51	5.02
11.38	12.20	c4.14	5.30
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
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9.00	10.50	10.35	11.52
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12.10	1.15	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.00	2.15	3.23
5.45	7.00	3.30	4.40
8.50	10.03	5.20	6.38
		8.40	9.42

SUNDAY TRAINS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.48	7.57	9.00	10.00
7.43	8.05	10.00	10.37
8.48	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.16	1.00	1.57
10.35	11.33	5.00	6.02
2.25	3.27	7.30	8.08
5.10	6.00	8.30	9.05
5.23	7.10	9.00	10.02
7.53	8.35	10.29	11.35

LOCAL NEWS

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Miss Marion McDonald of Worthen street has recovered from the effects of the severe injury to her hand which required surgical treatment.

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We are headquarters and carry the largest stock of palms in Lowell. Church work a specialty. McMannon, florist, 6 Prescott street.

BROKEN COLLAR BONE

Little Miss Yvonne Loupret, daughter of Mrs. N. J. Loupret of 278 High street, slipped on the ice coated doorstep as she was entering her home Saturday night and fell and broke her collar bone.

BULL FIGHTER INJURED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.—Rodolfo Gaoana, a famous Mexican bull fighter, was fatally injured in a fight in Puebla yesterday. He was caught by the fifth bull, the horns of the animal penetrating the abdomen.

ADMIRAL CERVERA RETIRED

MADRID, Dec. 14.—Vice Admiral Cervera, who commanded the Spanish fleet in the battle of Santiago, was retired from the active list today at his own request on account of failing health.

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BEAUTIFUL SERVICES

In Honor of Feast of Immaculate Conception

Held in Catholic Churches Yesterday With Sermons by Noted Missionary Preachers—Several Successful Retreats Closed

Services of a particularly beautiful and impressive nature were held in the local Catholic churches yesterday in honor of the solemnity of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, while in nearly all of the churches retreats and triduums for young women held in honor of the feast, came to a close.

Immaculate Conception

The services at the Immaculate Conception church were particularly impressive by reason of the fact that the patronal feast of the church was being observed. The altars and sanctuary were sumptuously adorned and special music was given by the choirs. The solemnity of the feast was observed with solemn high mass at 10.30 o'clock sung by Rev. William Murphy, D. D., O. M. I., rector of Ottawa university, assisted by Rev. John M. McRory, O. M. I., pastor, deacon; and Rev. Frank Haggerty, O. M. I., of the Tewksbury novitiate, as sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., who conducted the retreat who spoke on the sacrifice of the mass. Fr. Ripple stated in opening that the matter of making a sacrifice in honor of God, was one of the earliest aspirations of the human heart. In the earliest days men sought objects of sacrifice and started with offerings of precious stones and metals but which they abandoned as being too base for such a purpose. They even suggested the offering of their children but were restrained by the injunction from Mt. Sinai "Thou shalt not kill" and then they offered as their sacrifices the clean animals such as sheep and oxen until Christ came upon earth and instituted the sacrifice of the mass at the last supper the transformation of the bread and wine. From Christ's time the sacrifice of the mass has been the only true sacrifice and so it will be until the end of time. All of the world's greatest artists and sculptors have made their masterpieces in the churches devoted to this sacrifice and the world's greatest composers have found in it the theme of their loftiest compositions.

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Walker rendered Henri Blasil's mass in D minor and at the offertory Haggerty's "Ave Maria" was sung.

The retreat was formally closed in the evening in the presence of a large congregation. During the week over 2500 women and girls received holy communion. The exercises included the recitation of the rosary, a strong sermon by Rev. Fr. Ripple on Perseverance, a procession of the Immaculate Conception sodality and Children of Mary followed a reception of one hundred and twenty-five members and the papal benediction and benediction of the blessed sacrament. During the procession the hymn "Immaculate" was sung and at the close of the service, choir and congregation joined in singing "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name."

St. Peter's

High mass was sung at 10.30 yesterday by Rev. Hugh McDermod and the sermon on the gospel of the day was preached by Rev. John Burns.

Rev. W. George Mullin of St. Peter's has been appointed to take charge of the correspondence to the Boston Pilot from Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill, Concord and Ayer.

At Sacred Heart

The solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was beautifully observed at the Sacred Heart church yesterday, while the retreat for women conducted by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I., came to a close. Over 200 women received communion in connection with the retreat and at all the masses Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., pastor, thanked the women for the success of the retreat.

The altars, particularly the Blessed Virgin's altar and the sanctuary, were beautifully adorned.

The retreat mass was sung at 8 o'clock by the preacher of the retreat, Rev. Fr. Flynn, and was largely attended, a large number of women receiving holy communion in a body. The sermon was by the celebrant of the mass, and was on "Perseverance." The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O. M. I., and the sermon was preached by Fr. Flynn, who preached on "Duty of Parents." The Gregorian chant was sung by the sanctuary choir and organ choir.

The children's service took place at 2 o'clock, commencing with a hymn to the Blessed Virgin. Rev. Fr. Smith gave a short instruction to the children on the Blessed Virgin, and the Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin was recited by the children, over 900 being present. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament closed the service. At the close the children filed down the centre aisle to the Blessed Virgin's altar where the pastor presented them medals of the Blessed Virgin.

The church was crowded at the evening service.

The service commenced with the singing of the processional "Ave Maris Stella" by the sanctuary choir as they advanced from the vestry to the sanctuary. A hymn to the Blessed Virgin was sung by the congregation, over 1600 voices singing God's praise. At close of hymn the rosary was recited by Rev. Fr. Barrett, O. M. I. Previous to the sermon, the congregation sang "To Jesus Heart All Burning." The preacher, Rev. Fr. Flynn, took his text from the beautiful canticle "The Magnificat: "Behold all nations shall call me blessed," and preached an eloquent sermon. At the close of the sermon Fr. Flynn gave the papal benediction.

After the benediction the pastor, Rev. Fr. Smith, received 46 members into the Holy Rosary and Children of Mary sodalities. During the reception the beautiful hymn, "Hail, Mary," was sung, Mrs. Muldoon sustaining the solo. Mrs. Muldoon also sang a beautiful hymn, "The Memorare," the verse of which was composed by Miss Mary Wood, a member of the parish. Solemn benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was then given by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, assisted by Rev. Frs. Smith and Barrett, O. M. I., as deacons. During the benediction the singing was by the congregation. At the close of the service, the congregation arose and sang "Holy God." Mrs. Adelaide A. Muldoon presided at he organ and directed the choirs.

At St. Michael's

At St. Michael's church last evening the services connected with the solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception were brought to a close with a reception into the Blessed Virgin sodalities following the vesper service, and crowning of the statue of Mary. Rev. Fr. O'Kane, S. J., former president of Holy Cross college, delivered the sermon and spoke in part as follows:

"From a versicle of the grand old Magnificat which we heard sung just a few moments ago, I will choose my theme, 'Ecce enim ex hacc beatam me dicent omnes generationes: "Behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed").

"In the Catholic church alone is this prophecy verified and in its fulfilment she proves again the truth of her mission. Here a humble village maiden, born in a lowly hamlet of a despised race almost at the very moment of its extinction as a nation, fears not to make the assertion that her name and her memory will be revered until the very end of time. Caesar returning in triumph, laden with the spoils of conquest; Brutus, Cicero in the highest flights of eloquence, Plato expounding his theories, or Aristotle solving his most difficult problems would scarcely utter it, and yet this modest virgin, inspired by the Holy Spirit, gives vent in these prophetic words to the joy that fills her being. And almost at the very instant its fulfillment has begun—'Blessed art thou amongst women.' With a woman's intuition, a woman's appreciation, Elizabeth recognized the mother of her God and in that memorable visitation is begun the homage which shall be paid to Mary till time shall be no more.

"'But the love of her may lead away from God.
Yet loving her we only tread the way the Savior trod.'

"Thus would Father Faber refute the arguments brought against our honoring Mary, God's holy mother. Do we not love everything that comes within the circle of Christ's great love for us in the atonement for man's sin? And the nearer that any created thing comes to that great mystery the more we revere it. We bend before the cross on which was hung the body of the Saviour. The crown that pierced His bleeding head; the spear that tore His side, the nails that wounded His hands and feet are objects of special veneration, but how much more intimately was Mary connected with Him? His flesh was her flesh, her blood coursed through His veins, her heart regulated His; her mother's care protected Him through infancy and childhood, her mother's love followed Him to the foot of the cross. The scheme of the redemption is no mathematical problem. It began away back in the dawn of creation. When our first parents succumbed to the tempter, when driven from Paradise, they seemed without hope, the Creator buoyed up their sinking spirits with the promise of One who was to come, and in that promise He included Mary. To the serpent He said: 'I will put enmities between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, but she shall crush thy head.' In this plan of the redemption Mary alone was the only created thing that was really necessary. An infinite God had been offended, hence an infinite atonement had to be made, but made by one who was also man, because man it was who had committed the offense against his creator. Hence, a God-man was necessary. One act of His, being of infinite value, it was not of necessity that the cross, the nails, the spear contribute to the work, even St. Joseph was not necessary. True he was honored in being chosen as the protector of the mother and Divine Child and as the guardian of Mary's honor, but even he, whose name on the lips of the dying is so closely linked with those of Jesus and Mary, was not necessary. But Mary was necessary, that the Son of God should be, as He so loved to call Himself, the Son of Man as well. The redemption, then, from the promise in the garden of Eden down to that awful tragedy of Good Friday implies the incarnation and is closely connected with it. No wonder then in realizing it Mary exclaimed 'All generations shall call me blessed,' and immediately she explains the reason, 'Because He that is mighty hath done great things to me,' and since that time among true Christians, in every age as here, this evening, shrines, statues, confraternities have been erected to Mary's honor, and everywhere her praises have been sung. True, she is but a creature, but in loving and honoring her we are but following the footsteps of One who came not only to reopen the gates of heaven, but to be an example, a model for us as well. In following Him we cannot go astray and loving the mother we will draw ever nearer to the Son. Be loyal children then of Mary and let no day pass without invoking the intercession of her who is your queen, your advocate, your mother. Pray that she will ever be a true mother to you, but especially at the dread hour of death. True to her in life, in death, she will be your refuge and will lead you to the feet of Him who, slain on Calvary, won for you the salvation for which you hope."

The sermon was followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, given by Rev. J. J. Shaw, celebrant, Rev. E. A. Carney, deacon, Rev. Denis Murphy, sub-deacon. One of the special features of the service was the congregational singing by the sodalities under the direction of Rev. E. A. Carney.

At St. Joseph's Church

The novena held by the young women of St. Joseph's church in honor of the feast of the Immaculate Conception came to a close last evening and was a grand success. A reception into the Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality was held, at which thirty new members were received while a large number was promoted from the Children of Mary sodality. Rev. Fr. Baron, O. M. I., director of the sodality, officiated at the reception and also gave benediction.

Rev. Fr. Graton, O. M. I., who has been the preacher at the novena, delivered the closing hymn on "Perseverance." A large choir of young women sang appropriate hymns while a procession of 600 sodalists singing the Litany of the Blessed Virgin was a most impressive feature. Miss Ernestine Alexander played the organ. During benediction the choir sang Berge's "Tantum Ergo," in which Miss Anna Bourassa was the soloist; Roswig's "O Salutaris" and the "Magnificat." Miss Eugenie Vincent sang Luigi Luzzi's "Ave Maria."

The church was beautifully decorated.

North Chelmsford

The election of officers of St. John's T. A. society took place at a meeting of the society held yesterday morning with the following results: Spiritual director, Rev. Edmund T. Schofield; president, John E. Harrington; vice president, John J. McQuade; clerk, Irving J. Shields; financial secretary, Michael J. Scollan; treasurer, John T. McTeague; board of trustees, Fred J. Kinch, Arthur J. McEnaney and Joseph A. Laforge; janitor, James E. Flannery.

The installation of the new officers will take place at the first meeting in January.

Thursday evening of this week St. John's Total Abstinence society will entertain the members of Court Wannalancit, 171, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, at its hall.

George C. Moore is having hot and cold water baths installed in his mills here for the use of his employes. Thos. H. Murphy is doing the work.

The fire commissioners will submit plans for the new fire house for contractors to figure on this week.

THE LITTLE ONE'S DREAM

For little children everywhere
A joyous season still we make.
We bring our precious gifts to them
Even for the infant Savior's sake.

CRIMINAL COURT

Session Opened at Cambridge Today

The criminal session of the superior court was opened in Cambridge this morning and many Lowell people, including members of the police department, are attending the session.

Among the members of the department who went down this morning were Deputy Redmond Welch, Lieut. John Freeman, Inspectors Charles Lafianme, Martin Maher, John Walsh and a number of police officers.

TO FLOAT STEAMER

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Wreckers who have been at work on the German freighter Harburg since she went aground near Bellport life saving station last Saturday, expected to float the stranded steamer today. They succeeded in moving her about half her length at high tide late last night and preparations were made for a final try when conditions again are favorable this afternoon.

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GRADE CROSSING

Final Hearing Held in the Attorney-General's Office

Another grade crossing hearing was held at the attorney general's office in Boston on Saturday and unless some new questions arise there will be no more hearings on the crossings in question, the Walker, School, Lincoln and Plain street crossings.

Present at the hearing on Saturday were City Solicitor Hill and City Engineer Bowers, representing Lowell; Lawyer Selfridge and Engineer Rowell, representing the Boston & Maine; Col. Benton and Engineer Wheeler for the N. Y., N. H. & H.; Lawyer Dunbar and Engineer Mills for the Locks & Canals and Asst. Attorney Greenhaige for the state.

The hearing was held before the special commission appointed by the courts, Arthur Lord, chairman; Henry A. Wyman and David F. Slade, and it is expected that the commission will make its report in good season.

The hearing had to do with questions that had been gone over, in part, before. The N. Y., N. H. & H. presented a draft report for the work to be done in order to get rid of the Lincoln and Plain street crossings. A draft report for the abolition of the Walker and School street crossings had been presented at a previous meeting.

Other matters were discussed and ironed out and the only question now open is that of connecting Kyan street with Western avenue and to do it in such a way as to preclude the necessity of a crossing. It is expected that the work of abolishing the crossings will be begun in the early spring.

STATE OF DEFENSE

CARACAS, Ven., Dec. 13, via Port of Spain, Dec. 14.—The news of the capture of the Venezuelan coast guard ship Alexis by the Dutch cruiser Gelderland Saturday became known in Caracas today. A big crowd assembled in the plaza and demonstrated in spite of the government.

A decree issued by Acting President Gomez places the republic in a state of defense.

The captain of the Alexis, who came ashore at Puerto Cabello, has sent up to Caracas the communication handed him by the Dutch officer who came on board from the Gelderland.

This note is as follows:

"On board Gelderland, Dec. 14.

"Her Majesty, the Queen of Holland, has given orders for her warships temporarily to sequestrate and embargo all Venezuelan government vessels. This is a retaliatory measure. We demand that you lower your flag and surrender your ship and your persons to the commander of the Gelderland. All resistance will be useless. If you resist the result will be the loss of your vessel and death to many of you.

(Signed) "Second Lieut. Boinar."

Acting President Gomez issued a decree today in which he relates the capture of the Alexis, after which he declares:

"I consider these acts a true invasion of Venezuelan territory and an aggression against the Venezuelan government. The national sovereignty is threatened and the territorial integrity and dignity of the fatherland is in danger.

"I decree the nation is a state of defense and consequently the executive assumes and will exercise the extraordinary faculties conferred on him by section VIII of article IXXX of the Venezuelan consiltution."

Twenty-Eight Below Zero

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Is reported as the mark at Loon Lake, N. Y., one day last week. That means that our share of the cold biting weather with drifting snows will not hold off much longer. We'll have cold good and plenty, very soon. Now is the day, the hour, the minute to lay in a supply of fuel. Now the time to prepare for a run of cold weather. Now the time to fill up the Coke bin, for your own comforts and well being do not longer delay. The price of Lowell Coke remains the same, $4.75 per chaldron. The quality remains the same, the satisfaction expressed by all who use it, just the same. Every piece of Lowell Coke burns, all honest.
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In Time to Prevent Bad Blaze

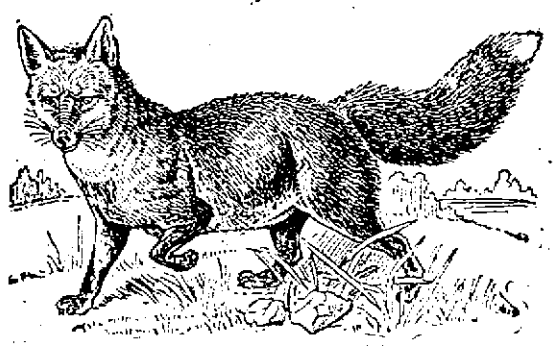
The fire department was called to a blaze at 497 Essex street, Lawrence, at 12.45 o'clock Sunday morning by an alarm from box 14.

The fire started at the head of the stairs on the second floor in a room occupied by A. J. LeValle, who had rented it from the proprietor, J. N. Fortier. Mr. LeValle had retired early and was sleeping soundly when he was awakened by a burning sensation on his right side. He opened his eyes to find the floor about his bed a mass of flames and the bed clothing about him burning. He immediately jumped out of bed and tried to quench the flames himself but found that of no avail, since the blaze was rapidly getting beyond his control and filling the room with smoke. He rushed downstairs to the apartments of the proprietor and his family and announced that the house was ablaze.

Mr. Fortier lost no time in getting into his clothing and rushing for the box which is located at the corner of Hampshire and Essex streets. He rang the alarm and hastened back to aid his wife and the remainder of his family to seek security and to arouse the other roomers. By the time he had done that the department was on the scene and the checking of the flames was but a matter of a few minutes.

Aside from the damage to the bedroom and the loss of the clothing of the roomers the damage was confined to that caused by water and the destruction of the flooring necessary to get at the fire.

COLONIAL
FUR DEPARTMENT



What is more comfortable and acceptable to a lady than a set of nice furs? Every piece of fur in our department is warranted as represented. No room for pieced goods in this house. Sets priced within the reach of all. Experienced saleslady wanted. Manufacturers, jobbers and retailers of ladies' fine furs. Six retail stores. New York office, 23 Bond st., New York City.
TELEPHONE, 2560.

POLICE CALLED IN

To Exciting Meeting of Greek Church Directors

The two factions in the Greek community, represented by the old and new board of directors, had a rather serious clash at a meeting in the Greek church basement yesterday relative to matters affecting the policy of the community that have been under dispute for some time.

Feeling ran high during the meeting, and excitement becoming rife, word was sent to the police station and three policemen were sent to the church. But three policemen were as pigmies amid such a large and intensely excited throng and a second telephone message brought 15 officers on the scene.

In the midst of the excitement before anything of a serious nature had occurred, Liquor Inspector Philip Dwyer, who was with the police posse, addressed the gathering upon the unseemliness of such proceedings on the Sabbath and within the sacred walls of the church edifice, and urged the warring factions to declare a truce and to adjourn the meeting until some future date when they could look upon matters in a more dispassionate manner. The officer's remarks had the desired effect and after remarks from the cooler heads the meeting came to a close.

SPECIAL MESSAGE

Pres. Roosevelt Submits to Senate a Report on Brownsville Affair

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Pres. Roosevelt today sent to the senate a special message bearing on the Brownsville affair. In his message he says:

"I enclose herewith a letter from the secretary of war transmitting a report of the investigation made by Mr. Herbert J. Browne, employed by the department in conjunction with Capt. W. G. Baldwin to investigate as far as possible what happened at Brownsville on the 13th and 14th of August, 1906. The report and documents contain some information of great value and some statements that are obviously worthless, but I submit them in their entirety.

This report enables us to fix with tolerable definiteness at least some of the criminals who took the lead in the murderous shooting of private citizens at Brownsville. It establishes clearly the fact that the colored soldiers did the shooting; but upon this point further record was unnecessary, as the fact that the colored soldiers did the shooting has already been established beyond all possibility of doubt. The investigation has not gone far enough to enable us to determine all the facts, and we will proceed with it; but it has gone far enough to determine with sufficient accuracy certain facts of enough importance to make it advisable that I place the report before you. It appears that almost all the members of Company B must have been actively concerned in the shooting, either to the extent of being participants or to the extent of virtually encouraging those who were participants. As to Companies C and D, there can be no question that practically every man in them must have had knowledge that the shooting was done by some of the soldiers of B Troop, and possibly by one or two others in one of the other troops. This concealment was itself a grave offense, which was greatly aggravated by their testifying before the senate committee that they were ignorant of what they must have known. Nevertheless, it is to be said in partial extenuation that they were probably cowed by threats, made by the more desperate of the men who had actually been engaged in the shooting, as to what would happen to any man who failed to protect the wrongdoers. Moreover, there are circumstances tending to show that these misguided men were encouraged by outsiders to persist in their course of concealment and denial. I feel, therefore, that the guilt of the men who, after the event, thus shielded the perpetrators of the wrong by refusing to tell the truth about them, though serious, was in part due to the unwise and improper attitude of others, and that some measure of allowance should be made for the misconduct. In other words, I believe we can afford to reinstate any of these men who now truthfully tell what has happened, give all the aid they can to fix the responsibility upon those who are really guilty, and show that they themselves had no guilty knowledge beforehand and were in no way implicated in the affair, save by having knowledge of it afterwards and failing and refusing to divulge it. Under the circumstances, and in view of the length of time they have been out of the service, and their loss of the benefit that would have accrued to them by continuous long-time service, we can afford to treat the men who meet the requirements given above as having been sufficiently punished by the consequences they brought upon themselves when they rendered necessary the exercise of the disciplinary power. I recommend that a law be passed allowing the secretary of war, within a fixed period of time, say a year, to reinstate any of these soldiers whom he, after careful examination, finds to have been innocent and whom he finds to have done all in his power to help bring to justice the guilty.

Meanwhile the investigation will be continued. The results have made it obvious that only by carrying on the investigation as the war department has actually carried it on is there the slightest chance of bringing the offenders to justice or of separating not the innocent, for there were doubtless hardly any innocent, but the less guilty from those whose guilt was heinous.

Theodore Roosevelt.

Accompanying this message is a lengthy report of the investigation made by Mr. Browne and Capt. Baldwin.

SENATOR FORAKER

WANTS ARMY OFFICERS TO HEAR NEGRO TROOPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senator Foraker introduced an amendment to

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CITY HALL NOTES

A well known resident discussing the different candidates for municipal offices whose names have appeared since the recent city election asked of a Sun reporter today the question:

"Does the mayor, or does anyone ever look into the qualifications of any of these men whom the city council elects to municipal office?"

"Why do you ask?" queried the reporter.

"Because," he replied, "one of the candidates now before the city council recently had a dispute with one of his employes over the amount of pay that the employe should receive for 3 1-2 days' work at $1.75 per day. The employer figured it one amount and the employe another. They left it to the third party and the latter found that the employe was right."

Bids for Hay

Bids on a car of hay for the park department were opened at the office of the purchasing agent this forenoon and the contract was awarded Joseph Mullin.

Mackenzie Improving

Purchasing Agent Mackenzie is improving in health and it is expected that he will be able to take up his work at city hall some time during the latter part of the week.

Frank Dowling Better

Good reports as to the condition of the clerk of the committee on accounts, Frank M. Dowling, are being received at city hall, and it is hoped that Frank will, within a short time, resume business at the old stand.

Qua May Be Elected

If the news vane at city hall points to the truth, Stanley Qua will be elected president of the common council for 1909.

Board of Aldermen

The board of aldermen will meet in regular session tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock and will be preceded by a meeting on ordinance and legislation.

HELD IN $1000

LAWYER CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—James Cassidy who was arrested on Saturday night last following a secret indictment returned against him by the Suffolk county grand jury charging conspiracy to defraud the city of Boston and larceny of $200 from the city, was arraigned before Judge Fessenden in the superior court today. He was not called upon to plead, however, but was held in $1000 for a later appearance. He furnished the bond.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Welch Bros have a beautiful line of Gas lamps and the prices are right. There is nothing makes more show than a gas lamp. Remember the place.

WELCH BROS., Middle St

LICENSE LOSES

In Recount Started at City Hall

The recount of the license vote as petitioned for by the Law and Order league was begun in the public hearing room at the city hall at 9 o'clock this morning as was also the recount of the councilmanic vote in ward six.

The ward six recount was gone through with this forenoon and there was carried along with it a recount of the license vote in that ward with the result that the "yes" vote for license was increased by six, while no material change was shown in the councilmanic vote.

The recount on the license vote was resumed this afternoon and up to the time of going to press twelve precincts, wards one, two, three and six had been counted. The recount in these twelve precincts shows a net gain of six for no-license. The only mistake in the count thus far discovered was in precinct three of ward two where ten "no" votes were counted as blanks.

BIG ATTACHMENT

RECORDED AGAINST JOSEPH A. CORAM IN THIS CITY

An attachment in the sum of $80,000 against Joseph A. Coram by the State Savings bank of Butte, Mont., was recorded at the local registry on Saturday.

PLAYGROUNDS

Will Cost City of Lawrence $100,000

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—The cost of procuring and equipping playgrounds in this city will probably be in the neighborhood of $100,000.

City Engineer Marble said Saturday morning that there are not many available places that can be procured. He thought that one playground ought to be at the lower end of Common street or in that immediate vicinity. Buildings would have to be bought and removed in order to carry out this plan.

In Ward three there is the land on Lawrence street which was presented to the city by Edward F. Searles, or part of the Stearns field on Alder street could be secured from the Arlington.

In ward five the best place would be M. O'Mahoney's land where Potter's pond was filled in.

In ward six there is plenty of vacant land owned by the Essex company.

The playgrounds will probably be for the use of children of tender ages, and not for men and boys to use as baseball grounds.

NEW BUILDINGS

More Permits Were Granted Today

Big improvements are to be made in the three story wooden building at the corner of Common and Salem streets. A permit to remodel the building was granted John Maguire today. The building will be made modern and up-to-date and will be enlarged to accommodate six families. The estimated cost of the alterations is $6000.

Estreal Greenburgh, who is rapidly acquiring a vast amount of real estate, has been granted permits to build two two-family houses in Sheldon street. The houses will be 22 by 50 and the estimated cost is $2500 each.

ASKS RECEIVER

FOR THE ST. LOUIS TRACTION COMPANY

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 14.—Declaring that David R. Francis, Murray Carleton, James Campbell, Judge Henry Priest, Brown Bros of New York and other stockholders of the St. Louis Traction Co. owe that corporation more than $10,000,000 as the result of the sale of the company's common stock in 1899, J. Brooks Johnson applied to the circuit court today for a receiver for the company.

Mr. John Coughlin, a popular member of the Sagamore club, has returned to this city after spending an enjoyable time in New York.

EXTRA

HE MAKES PROTEST

Minister Paul Sends a Note to the Diplomatic Corps

CARACAS, Ven., Dec. 11, via Port of Spain, Dec. 14.—Foreign Minister Paul today sent a note to the members of the diplomatic corps here protesting vigorously against "the repeated violations of the territorial rights of Venezuela" by the three Dutch warships that have been cruising in Venezuelan waters since Dec. 2. No blockade has been declared, he set forth and the continual interference with the coastwise shipping is having a detrimental effect on the commerce of neutral powers. The foreign minister concludes:

"Venezuela protests with energy against these aggressions upon the territorial sovereignty of the republic and she holds Holland responsible for all the consequences."

Senor Paul in his communication, recounts the following facts.

The Dutch cruiser Friesland on Dec. 2 stopped the Venezuelan schooner Victoria in Venezuelan waters near Cumana by firing a shot across her bow. She then sent a launch with twenty-five armed men on board and examined the schooner's papers, on Dec. 8 the cruiser Friesland sent a boatload of armed sailors to examine the schooner Carmen Josefa, lying at anchor in the harbor of Tucasas; furthermore a Dutch warship appeared yesterday at the Maracaibo bar, took soundings and interfered with the local shipping by target practice, the shots being sent in the direction of Fort San Carlos.

Public opinion, the minister continues, condemns these petty acts of hostility which evidently are for the purpose of provocation. Acting President Gomez has determined to uphold the rights and dignity of Venezuela.

HOLLAND'S DEMANDS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Holland's ultimate forcible designs against Venezuela are a mystery to the state department.

Holland has mapped its course alone avoiding any course that might give offense to any power having interests in Venezuela. So far as American interests are not affected the United States will be merely a looker-on.

Neither the state department nor M. Loudon, the Netherlands minister has any information on the subject today.

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

THE HAGUE, Dec. 14.—The government has issued an official statement in connection with the seizure of the Alexis in which it sets forth that it is taking action against the personal rule of President Castro in order to guarantee itself against a renewal of former molestations of Dutch vessels this being a point concerning which Castro refused to give any assurances.

Burglar Proof

Thieves shun light. Never enter an illuminated house.

The Electric House

Thieves dread the electric lights that are always ready.

LOWELL ELECTRIC LIGHT CORP.
50 Central St.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

Furnished by F. W. Mills, Hildreth Bldg.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Atchison	97⅞
Am. Beet Sugar	20¼
Am. Cotton Oil	42
Am. Car Foundry	46⅝
Amalgamated	82
Am. Sugar	132
Am. Smelt. and Ref. Co.	84⅝
Am. Locomotive	55½
Anaconda	39⅝
Am. Ice Co.	25⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	111
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	57⅝
Canadian Pacific	177
Chesapeake & Ohio	57½
Canadian .. Great Western	11¾
Colorado Fuel and Iron	39
Distillers' Secudities	36⅝
Erie	34⅝
Erie 1st	49½
Great Northern pfd	144
Louisville & Nashville	124
Illinois Central	147
Int. Steam Pump	33½
Mexican Cetral	21⅝
Missouri, Kansas & T.	38⅝
Missouri, Kansas & T. pfd	72
Missouri Pac	65⅝
No. Pac.	142¼
New York Central	120⅝
New York Airbrake	92
National Lead	80
Norfolk	84⅝
Ont. & Western	46⅝
Penn	130⅝
Pacific Mail	35
Pressed Steel Car	42½
Reading	142
Railway Steel Spring	45½
Rock Island	24
Rock Island pfd	60½
Southern Railway	25
Southern Railway pfd	59½
U. S. Steel	54¼
U. S. Steel pfd	112½
Union Pacific	152⅝
Utah Copper	46
Southern Pacific	120½
Tenn Copper	44⅝
U. S. Rubber	34⅝
People's Gas	100⅝
W. U. T.	68⅝
Westinghouse	55½

BOSTON STOCKS

Am. Pneumatic	8½
Am. Pneumatic pfd	19¼
Am. T & T	129
Butte	27
Boston Com	16¼
Cent	35
Copper Range	80½
Brandy	105
Greene, Can	11⅞
Isle Royale	23½
La Salle	14¾
Mass. Electric	12½
Mass. Electric pfd	58½
Mass. Gas	57
Mass. Gas pfd	87¼
Mass. Mining	6½
North Butte	85
Osceola	130
Old Dominion	59½
Parrott	30
Quincy	95
Trinity	17¾
*United Fruit ex-rights	131
Utah	46
Woolen pfd	95¼
Miami	12½

*Ex-dividend.

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Opposite St. Anne's Church.

POLAND WATER
For Sale by
GEO. W. WILSON & CO.
F. and E. BAILEY & CO.

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6 O'CLOCK

TEN "NIGHTRIDERS"

To be Placed on Trial on Charge of Murder

UNION CITY, Tenn., Dec. 14.—Late today ten men, alleged leaders of the nightriders' band at Reelfoot lake, will be placed on trial charged with the putting to death of Captain Quinten Rankin, a prominent attorney of Trenton, Tenn., the culminating act of the series of outlawry so high handed as to call for the mustering of the soldiery of the state to aid the civil authorities in the hunting down of the members of the clan. When the court meets today Judge Joseph Jones will announce his decision in regard to a contention of the defense that the plan suggested by the state for selecting the jury venire be not from the usual method but personal selection by Judge Jones is irregular. Then will begin the summons of jury veniremen. Both state and defense will be allowed 24 peremptory challenges.

The investigation of the depredations of the nightriders began within two days of the killing of Rankin on the night of October 19. Since that time under the personal direction of Gov. Patterson, an unrelenting crusade has been waged and resulted in the arrest of several hundred men. More than 150 indictments have been found.

Whether the court procedure shall be conducted in order or whether further blood shed shall occur during the heat of the legal battle is considered uncertain. From Reelfoot lake and other strongholds of the clan men are pouring into Union City in numbers with their sympathies going out to those of their friends on trial or held in jail while the state has well organized its forces determined to put down any possible outbreak in its incipiency. As to public feeling it is well divided.

SUPREME COURT

Says That Harriman Need Not Answer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—In an opinion by Justice Holmes the supreme court today held that E. H. Harriman and Otto Kahn, the latter a New York banker, should not be required to answer the interstate commerce commission's questions concerning dealings in stocks between the Union Pacific and other roads to which they refused to make response when the subject was under investigation in New York.

Continuing the decision of the court in a dissenting opinion Justice Day expressed the opinion that the construction given the interstate commerce law takes from it all power of investigation.

STEPHEN T. WARD

Re-nominated Financial Secretary of C.T.A.U.

The nominating committee of the Catholic Total Abstinence union of the Archdiocese held a meeting in Cambridgeport yesterday afternoon and drew up a list of candidates to be voted for at the annual convention of the union in the spring. Mr. John F. Healey, of Cambridge, an old war horse in the cause, presided at the meeting and after considerable discussion the following were nominated for the various offices: President, Hon. John T. Shea, Cambridge; first vice-president, Lawrence E. Murphy, Boston; second vice-president, Mrs. Catherine B. Von Tillotson, Boston; financial secretary, Stephen T. Ward, North Chelmsford; recording secretary, Maurice Dineen, Malden; corresponding secretary, Cornelius M. Callahan, Norwood; treasurer, Rev. M. J. Doody, P. R., of Cambridgeport. All the present officers, it will be seen, were given a re-nomination, including Financial Secretary Ward, who represents the Lowell end of the district on the board.

The committee discussed the advisability of electing another lady vice-president to assist Mrs. Von Tillotson in caring for the ladies' societies, but beyond discussing the idea nothing definite was recommended. After the meeting the members of the committee were royally entertained by Mr. Healey.

STANDARD OIL SUIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The trial of the government's suit against the Standard Oil Co. seeking its dissolution was today and adjourned to tomorrow because of an engagement which F. B. Kellogg, who is the government's counsel, had with W. H. Taft.

SCHOONER WENT ASHORE

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Dec. 14.—Word was received here today that the schooner Laura Victoria bound from Bacu, N. S., for Georgetown, P. E. I., with a cargo of coal was wrecked off Murray harbor on Saturday last. The vessel ran ashore near the entrance to the harbor and will be a total loss. The captain and crew of ten men reached shore with difficulty.

SUPT. KELSEY

TO BE FIRST DEPUTY STATE COMPTROLLER

ALBANY, Dec. 14.—Charles H. Gaus, state comptroller elect, announced today that State Supt. of Ins. Kelsey had accepted an appointment as first deputy state comptroller. Supt. Kelsey is expected to resign his post in the insurance department by Jan. 1.

SEPARATE STATEHOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico is provided for in two bills introduced today by Senator Foraker.

PERSONALS

Among the guests registered Sunday at the Congress Square hotel, Portland, are the following Lowell men: George H. Brown, Harry W. J. Howe and W. C. MacBrayne.

A son was born Dec. 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Youngjchus, 102 Grand street.

WATCH CHARM lost Saturday night, with red and green stones. Valued by owner on account of being a present from a friend. Reward if returned to W. H. Hodgson, 33 England st., or care Adams & Co., 174 Central st.

FREIGHT RATES

Hearing on Missouri Case Resumed

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 14.—The Missouri rate case involving the two cent passenger rate and the maximum freight rate was resumed before Judge Smith McPherson in the federal court here today after a recess of four weeks. Of the 18 railroads involved only the testimony of the St. Louis and the San Francisco road has been heard but much of this will apply to all the roads, leaving only a few individual characteristics of each road yet to be presented to the court. Most of the testimony so far has tended to show the alleged increased cost of doing state business over interstate and trans-state business and has been presented with a view of upholding the claims of the roads that they are unable to do business with profit under the existing rate laws.

NO ONE KILLED

Explosion in the Chicago Coliseum

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—That no one was killed in last night's explosion in the storeroom of the Coliseum in which the first ward democratic ball will be held tonight, was asserted by the police today following a thorough examination. They also asserted that evidence discovered today indicates that the explosion was not directed against the Coliseum nor the ball which reformers have attacked verbally for years but against Francis McHigh, a junk dealer, who has a contract for the decorations which are discarded after each ball. He formerly occupied a room adjoining the storeroom and expressed the opinion that the bomb was directed at him by business rivals as were two fires which in former times were started in his place.

KING EDWARD

REPORTED TO BE GREATLY IMPROVED IN HEALTH

LONDON, Dec. 14.—King Edward arrived here today greatly improved in health. He held an investiture at Buckingham palace during which he walked briskly about the rooms and conversed freely and animatedly with those present.

On the advice of his physicians the king gave up his visit to Lord Burton in Derbyshire because of the inclement weather and returns to Brighton tomorrow.

RIOT AT PUERTO CORTEZ

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A riot, the proportions of which are not stated, has occurred at Puerto Cortez, Honduras, according to information received at the state department from its representative there. The situation is said to be insecure.

NOMINATED BY PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The president sent to the senate today the following nomination:

Member of the Isthmian canal commission—Lieut. Col. Hodges, corps of engineers.

Captains to be rear admirals—W. P. Potter, Newton Mason.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

Moses Lefebvre, 38, farm hand, Chelmsford, Mass., and Mary Laflamme (widowed, nee LeClaire), 40, operative, 2 Middlesex place.

Naten Greenbaum, 23, peddler, 112 Chelmsford street, and Pole Katz, 20, operative, 113 Howard street.

MRS. TAFT PRESIDED

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mrs. W. H. Taft, wife of the president-elect, presided at the annual meeting of the committee on welfare work for government employes of which she is chairman. The initial session of the convention was an executive meeting of the woman's department for adoption of by-laws and rules for the work of that federation. In her report Mrs. Taft suggested a plan of work to prevent overlapping of sub-committees and to give greater efficiency.

That the salary loan evil should be made a special subject of inquiry is recommended by Mrs. Taft.

FUNERALS

MILLER—The funeral of Edward Oliver Miller took place Friday from his home, 825 Lawrence street. A funeral mass was celebrated at the Sacred Heart church by Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., pastor of the church. The Gregorian chant was sung by the sanctuary choir, under the direction of Mrs. Adelaide A. Muldoon, who was also the organist. "O Salutaris" was sung at the offertory and as the body was borne from the church "De Profundis" was given by the choir. The bearers were Messrs. Patrick Letford, William Brown, Daniel Condon and William Murphy. Among the out-of-town friends present at the services were Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Maroney of Peabody. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Smith, O. M. I. The funeral was under the direction of John A. Finnegan.

ELLIOTT—The funeral of Mrs. Maria T. Elliott took place from her late residence, 151 Church street, Sunday afternoon, and was largely attended. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. Services were conducted by Rev. L. C. Manchester, D. D., pastor of St. John's church. There was appropriate singing by Mr. and Mrs. George Burns. The bearers were William Garmon, Thomas Tiffany, Joseph Garmon and William Flagg. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery in charge of the J. B. Currier Co.

CHARLTON—The funeral of Mrs. Esther M. Charlton was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of her son, 102 Highland avenue, and was largely attended by relatives and friends.

Rev. Albert E. Kenyon, pastor of the Chelmsford Street Baptist church, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, and a chorus from the Chelmsford Street church consisting of Misses Hazel E. Firth, Addie M. Thorne, Ruth Caldell, Marion Warren, Ida Shepard, Irene Thorne, Vera Perkins, Edith Chadwick, Harry Perkins, Mr. Percy A. Yarnold and A. E. Kenyon sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "Lead Kindly Light" and "Beyond the Smiling and Weeping."

Among the flowers was a large pillow from the children. The body will be sent to her old home in Burlington, N. S., Tuesday morning and services will be held in the Baptist church of which the deceased was a charter member. Burial will be in the family lot in the Burlington cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Albert H. Bixby.

HEATH—The funeral of Thomas Heath took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of the parents, 433 Lakeview avenue. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons.

COSTELLO—The funeral of Miss Winnie Costello took place yesterday afternoon from the residence, 7 Courtney's court off Lakeview avenue. The bearers were Thomas Mullen, Martin Fleming, James Toohey, James Gannon, Patrick Shea, and Patrick Roddy. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons. Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers at the grave.

CORREIA—The funeral of Charles Correia took place Saturday afternoon from the home of his parents, Charles and Emily, 354 Chelmsford street. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough & Sons in charge.

MAGUIRE—The funeral of Thomas Maguire, aged 79 years, and an old resident of Lowell, took place Sunday afternoon from the funeral parlors of Undertaker M. H. McDonough & Sons at 3 o'clock. The bearers were Dennis Madden, Charles Murphy, Patrick Tierney and Edward McDonough. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Mullin of St. Michael's church read the committal prayers.

DUBE—The funeral of Pierre Dube took place Saturday from 95 Lakeview avenue, with funeral services at St. Louis' church. Rev. Fr. Jacques officiated, and the bearers were Onesime, Amedee, and Wilfrid Dube, Olympe Champagne, Henri Lepine and Antoine Delisle. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery and Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

ROBERTS—Charles E. Roberts died Thursday at Farmington, N. H., aged 64 years. The body was brought to Billerica, Saturday afternoon, where burial took place in Fox Hill cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Horace Ela Co.

BOWMAN—The funeral of William E. Bowman took place this morning from his late residence, 193 East Merrimack street, at 8.30 o'clock and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at nine o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I. The church choir was present at the mass and sang the Gregorian edition of the mass. At the offertory and at the close of the mass Messrs. James McCaffrey and Charles Smith, rendered solos. Mrs. Hugh Walker presided at the organ and also directed the choir.

The bearers were: Messrs. George Shields, J. H. Ward and Harry Rogers of the Centralville Court of Foresters of America, of which the deceased was a member, and Andrew Kimlock, Bert E. Joy. Michael Donlin for the family.

The delegation from the Court Centralville was composed of the following: John J. Holmes, Frank Gargan, Duncan McKeene and John F. Shields.

The burial was in the Catholic cemetery, and the remains were laid in their final resting place after the last rites of the Catholic church were read by Rev. John P. Flynn.

The floral offerings were numerous. Among the most prominent were the following: Mammoth pillow, inscribed "Father," from the family; cross on base, employes of Putnam's restaurant; wreath of pinks, Peter Flood; crescent of carnations, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conant; large wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Kimlock; wreath of roses, Harry Elliott; spray of roses, Lilla and Grace Conners; spray of pinks, Mr. A. K. Petrie; Mr. Hodgman and Mr. and Mrs. Edgelow; spray of chrysanthemums, Miss and Mrs. Meers; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rogers; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Heller; mammoth Gates Ajar, with inscription "Centralville Court of Foresters of America, No. 184."

The funeral and interment was under the direction of Undertakers Chas. H. Molloy & Sons.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS CASTRO

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The government will be questioned in the chamber of deputies today by a colonial deputy regarding its attitude toward President Castro and it is understood that M. Pichon will make a statement in reply.

SPECIAL MESSAGE

Continued

the bill providing for the re-enlistment of negro troops discharged without honor because of alleged participation in the affray at Brownsville, Tex., and addressed the senate concerning the amendment. He purposes in his new measure to establish a tribunal consisting of retired army officers, naming these officers in the bill before whom evidence may be submitted as to the guilt of defendants and before whom the defendants themselves might appear to answer charges.

The measure practically takes out of the hands of the executive and gives to a tribuanl appointed by congress all authority to consider the Brownsville question and by its finding provide for the re-enlistment of the discharged negroes. In addressing the senate, Mr. Foraker said that he had not expected it would be necessary to enter upon a new investigation of the Brownsville question, but that during the summer letters had been coming to him from these discharged negro soldiers declaring that detectives were constantly engaging them in conversation. "These men," said Senator Foraker, "are noe secret service detectives, of course, as they would have no right under the law to engage in such service."

The senator spoke of the activities of the detectives as outlined by his correspondents, saying in many cases they have even taken up their dwelling with the discharged soldiers for the purpose of securing their confidence. The senator read extracts from the letters:

"One of the soldiers wrote to Senator Foraker that he was questioned by a detective in respect to letters he might have received from the senator. The soldier told the detective that he had one letter from the senator and when he showed him it he remarked that 'there was nothing in it to hurt.'"

On the conclusion of Mr. Foraker's remarks Mr. Culberson asked that the president's message on the Brownsville affair be read and Vice-President Fairbanks directed that that be done, all senators present remaining in their seats and listening attentively to the reading.

After the reading had been concluded the clerk read all of the statements and other evidence submitted to the war department for which the president's message was merely a letter of transmittal. Ordinarily these general reports are sent to the proper committee without the formality of reading. In view of the fact that the report contains what purports to be a partial confession of guilt by one of the discharged soldiers much interest was shown in the reading and practically every senator remained in his seat.

IN THE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—When the house convened today Republican Floor Leader Paine brought in a joint resolution which was agreed to providing for the adjournment of congress from Saturday, Dec. 19, to Monday, Jan. 4.

Mr. Paine also called up the appeal of Rep. Dearmond of Missouri from the decision of the speaker last Saturday, holding that the speaker's vote which broke the tie on the bill to protect aliens was legal. The New York member moved to lay the appeal on the table. The motion was carried 170 to 99.

DEATHS

NORCOTT—Mrs. Mary E. Norcott, formerly a resident of this city, and mother of Mr. William W. Norcott, who for many years was superintendent of the Pickering Manufacturing Co., died very suddenly Monday night, Dec. 7, in Springfield, Mass., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. J. Richards. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon in Springfield, the Rev. Geo. H. Wallace of Lawrence, Mass., officiating.

HARTFORD—Mrs. Nancy C. Hartford, widow of Mark Hartford, died yesterday at her home, 194 Appleton street, after a short illness, aged 80. Her husband was a well known contractor and was interested in business in the west for many years, where he helped to build some of the big railroads in that section of the country. Mrs. Hartford was born at Burnham, Me., July 12, 1828, and received her education in the public schools in that town. In 1863 she married Mark Hartford. No children were born to the union. She is survived by George H. Hartford of Westford and a niece, Mrs. Stella Foster of Boston.

ATWOOD—Mrs. Sarah J. Atwood died yesterday at Westboro. She leaves her father, John Fleming, and one brother, Joseph Fleming. The body will be brought to the home of the brother in this city, 57 Chapel street, today.

DAVIS—Charles W. Davis died Dec. 11 at the home of his son, Frank E. Davis of Springfield. He leaves two sons, Frank E. and Samuel L. of this city, and one adopted son, Mark B. Fleming of this city. He was a member of Post 120, G. A. R.

GOSSELIN—Mrs. Philippe Gosselin died Saturday morning at her home, 51 Mammoth road, after a few hours' illness. Mrs. Gosselin's maiden name was Marie Fortier, and she was well known in this city, where she had resided for many years. She left besides her husband a daughter Alda and a new-born baby; her father, Charles Fortier, three brothers, Theodore Fortier of Lowell, Joseph Fortier of Leominster, and Rev. Brother Francis Fortier, O. M. I., of Pueblo, Mexico; and five sisters, Rev. Sister Marie Alcibiade of Oswego, N. Y., Mrs. Henri Lavallee, Mrs. Arsidas Cheninard and Miss Rose Anna Fortier of Lowell, and Mrs. Arsene Morin of Lawrence.

NEVINS—The many friends of Miss Mary J. Nevins will be grieved to learn of her death, which occurred yesterday at her home, No. 3 Gates street, at the age of 24 years. Deceased was a popular young woman of St. Patrick's parish and a member of the Immaculate Conception sodality connected with the church. Until obliged to cease work owing to her illness Miss Nevins was a valued clerk of the United States Bunting Co. She is survived by her parents, Thomas F. and Bridget Nevins, and one sister, Miss Margaret T. Nevins.

The funeral will take place Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock from her home, and at 9 o'clock a mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

HESLIN—Peter Heslin, a well known parishioner of St. Peter's church, died this morning at his home, 22 Union street. He is survived by a widow, Maria; two daughters, Catherine and Rose; three brothers, John, James and Thomas, and two sisters, Mrs. James Keegan and Mrs. Thomas Glynn.

HOOGS CONFESSED

Said to Have Admitted That He Took $9000

BEVERLY, Dec. 14.—It was announced today that Albert Hoogs, who is under police surveillance in connection with a shortage discovered in the books, has confessed to the investment committee of the bank that he misappropriated a large amount of the bank's funds. According to the officials, Hoogs said that he took exactly $9600.

Hoogs is said to have explained that he took a sum of round figures in order that he might more easily manipulate the books. The bank officials announce that he had given them a memorandum, showing them the exact changes which he made in the books of the institution in order to cover up his alleged peculations.

The investment committee of the bank to whom Hoogs is said to have confessed consists of President Robert R. Endicott of the bank, Joseph A. Wallis, Roland W. Boyden, Joseph H. Baker and George Butman.

In the announcement made at the bank today no mention was made of what use Hoogs may have made of the money.

HAINS ON TRIAL

Charged With Being Accessory to Murder of Annis

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The trial of Thornton J. Hains, author and seafarer, charged with being an accessory to the murder of William Annis, an editor who was shot and killed at the Bayside Yacht club last summer by Captain Peter Hains, Jr., commenced this afternoon in the supreme court.

The old town of Flushing has not had a murder trial of major interest for many years and long before the hour of trial there was quite a gathering of people before the town hall where the case will be tried. The small hotels were filled to overflowing with 300 talesmen from whom a jury will be selected. General Peter Hains, U. S. A., retired, father of the brothers now confined in Long Island jail for the Annis murder, and his son, Major Hains, came up from New York city today to attend the trial. Sheriff Harvey will bring Thornton Hains to Flushing about noon.

All the wheels of legal machinery will be put in motion to bring the trial of Thornton Hains to a speedy conclusion. Justice Crane has indicated to counsel that a week should be sufficient time to try the case and it is not unlikely that night sessions of court will be held to expedite the taking of testimony. Early courtroom reports had it today that the defendant would take the witness stand and tell the story of those occurrences at Fort Hamilton, which counsel for the defense alleged caused Captain Hains to send his wife away and take the life of Annis. In this way a foundation for Captain Hains' defense would be laid.

William Annis, an editor of an outing periodical, was shot and killed while stepping from his boat to the float of the Bayside Yacht club on Aug. 15 by Captain Hains. The army captain had named his victim as co-respondent in a suit for divorce

THORNTON B. HAINS

brought against his wife, Claudina Hains, and counsel allege that brooding over his wrongs brought on temporary insanity. Why Capt. Hains was in the Philippines a year ago, his brother Thornton wrote him that his wife was receiving too much attention from Annis. The absent captain returned to Fort Hamilton and his wife denied the charges. Later Mrs. Hains asserts that General Hains and her husband and Thornton Hains forced a false confession from her. The couple separated and Captain Hains brought a divorce suit. Hearing that Annis was still visiting his wife, Capt. Hains is said to have become enraged and his counsel declare that from that time temporary insane.

In company with his brother Thornton he went to the Bayside Yacht club last August and inquired for Annis. When Annis stepped from the boat Captain Hains shot him five times while Thornton waived the club members with a drawn revolver.

Justice Crane convened court at ten o'clock in order that the roll of talesmen might be called. The roll of talesmen drawn on the first panel, which has been protested by the defense on the ground that it was improperly drawn, was sent to a room below the court chambers while the one hundred and ninety talesmen, drawn on two later panels weer called. District Atty. Darrin announced that the prosecution of Hains will be conducted by himself, assisted by Special Prosecutor White and J. A. Dayton, together with Assistant District Attorneys Fish and McKenie. Precinct Detective Butler, of the Flushing police station, had charge of the witnesses and talesmen.

The tedious roll call of talesmen disclosed that Charles Roberts of Bayside, who saw the shooting and is a witness for the defense, had been subpoenaed as a talesman. He was quickly excused. After the roll call Justice Crane adjourned court until 1 o'clock when Thornton Hains will be brought into court. The first panel was also dismissed until the opening hour of court this afternoon.

The early witnesses of the prosecution to reach the court this afternoon were Charles Roberts, who saw the shooting; H. G. Rockwell, a friend of Annis and an eye witness of the killing; Charles Birschfield, another witness of the shooting; Dr. Horace O. Halpin, who attended Annis after the shooting; Dr. L. H. Schumack, surgeon of the Flushing hospital, where Annis died; Dr. W. Frey, who performed the autopsy; Patrolman Baker, who placed the Hains brothers under arrest, and William Harway, who was in the catboat Pam when Captain Hains shot Annis.

Manacled to a deputy sheriff and guarded by two jail officers Hains was brought from Island jail from a trolley car and taken immediately into court where he immediately awalted the opening of the proceedings. Hains was all smiles and told the newspaper men that he had every reason to think he would be acquitted. Hains showed no ill effects of his four months' incarceration in prison. His rounded face flushed with a healthy color as he conferred with his lawyers. Occasionally he whirled in his chair to observe the assembling talesmen. Hains displayed no signs of nervousness except perhaps to tug at his slight brown moustache.

John McIntyre, chief of counsel for the defense, said that he would oppose long daily sessions of court.

Shortly before Judge Crane called the court to order old Gen. Peter Hains, U. S. A., retired accompanied by Major John Hains and R. P. Hains of Boston came into the trial room and took seats near the defendant.

Mrs. Hains, the mother of Thornton, came to Flushing but did not feel strong enough to attend the trial. Robert Hains is an uncle of Thornton Hains.

An interesting figure in court was Dr. Austin Flint, the alienist, who testified in both trials for Harry Thaw. Dr. Flint came into the trial chamber with District Attorney Darrin and will make observations of Thornton Hains while the proceedings are in progress.

Shortly after one o'clock Justice Crane took his seat and trial was begun.

David Hirsch, an associate counsel for the defense, made a formal motion to set aside the indictment against Hains on grounds that he was denied the right to challenge the individual members of the grand jury. Mr. Hirsch submitted a long argument in support of his motion.

Mr. Hirsch charged that the members of the grand ury were prejudiced and that the foreman of the grand jury openly stated before the indictment that the Hains brothers should be hanged.

Judge Crane over-ruled the motion. Lawyer Young for the defense then announced that both sides had agreed that the first panel of 100 talesmen which had not been drawn on Nov. 20 should be dismissed.

Judge Crane said that an additional panel of 150 talesmen had been drawn and they would be examined. Meanwhile the first panel would be held until dismissed by the court.

When the first talesman, Walter Young, was called, Mr. White, special prosecuting officer, arose to examine for the state. Mr. McIntyre objected to Mr. White appearing in the case as a prosecutor on the ground that he was not an assistant district attorney and his appearance in court was not developed. District Attorney Darrin then took up the examination of the first talesman.

The examination of Talesman Young by Mr. Darrin was long and Judge Crane stated that the questions put to this talesman should be brief and should cover only the most material points.

The next talesman was indefinite in his replies and was challenged by the state.

The next talesman was excused because he presented the legal excuse, that he had been an election inspector. The next talesman expressed a strong prejudice to capital punishment, whereupon Justice Crane said:

"You are excused from this case, but you can go down stairs and serve as a juror with Justice Blackmar on other cases. He needs jurors."

This order of Justice Crane caused a visible stir among the talesmen, many of whom evidently held some opinions on the death penalty.

Eleven talesmen had been examined in the case, but all were excused for various causes.

TARIFF HEARING

A Reduction on Autos is Asked

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—At the tariff hearing before the house ways and means committee today John Carton of Flint, Mich., representing an automobile manufacturer, was the only witness. He asked for a reduction in the duty on automobiles from 45 to 20 per cent. It was brought out that the firm represented by Mr. Carton had a factory in Canada and would therefore derive a benefit from the lower rate of duty.

The republican members of the committee on ways and means met today to take the first steps toward the framing of a new tariff bill. They constitute a sub-committee for this purpose. The democrats will have no voice in the deliberations on this bill, but will probably submit a minority report.

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LATEST

CARDENIO F. KING

Will be Tried for Alleged Larceny of $25,000 Tomorrow

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The trial of Cardenio F. King, a promoter of this city, who was indicted last spring for the larceny of $25,000, will begin in the superior court tomorrow through an agreement reached today between Assistant Attorney Dwyer and King's counsel, former Attorney General Parker.

The case was originally set for a week ago today but Mr. Parker filed a motion for a bill of particulars in connection with the indictment. These were furnished by the district attorney's office and on Friday Mr. Parker appeared in the court and asked for a substitute bill claiming that the original bill was not sufficiently specific. The latter motion was denied today by Judge Schofield who will sit during the trial and the case ordered to proceed. The agreement for a day's postponement was then announced and approved by the court.

King was present in court today having been in the city conducting his affairs since last June previous to which he disappeared for about four months.

REV. ASA R. DILTS

Preached on the Social Crisis

At the Branch street church last night the pastor took for his subject one of the burning questions of the day, "The Church and the Social Crisis."

He called attention to the epoch-making book on "The Church and the Social Crisis," by Prof. Rauscherbush of Rochester, N. Y., and also to a brilliant address on the same theme in Boston last week by Rev. O. P. Gifford, D. D., of Brookline. According to Dr. Gifford the church itself is responsible for the social crisis, and responsible because it preaches the gospel of Christ to men. Where the gospel of Christ is not preached there is no social crisis.

It is the gospel message declaring that all men stand on an equality before God that has inspired hope in the hearts of men and roused in them the desire to have not only equality under the law granted to men in the United States, but also an equality in economic opportunity. It is the failure to secure this, he says, and the consequent unequal and unfair distribution of wealth, that have brought about the present social crisis. And his argument is that inasmuch as the church is responsible for the social crisis, it is the duty of the church to do all in its power to meet this crisis successfully. He would have the man who has had his fair share of the wealth of the country, forcibly, if necessary, taken out of his money-making position and another put in his place. He would have the mines and the means of transportation put into the hands of the national government, but that doesn't go to the root of the matter.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton university in a recent address says that, according to the spirit of the age men are declaring that the problem of civilization is merely a problem of ways and means.

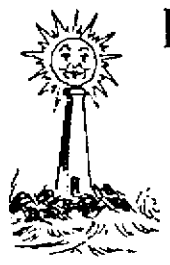
If society were better organized, if wealth were more equally distributed, if laws were changed, or, perhaps, abolished, all would be well. If everybody had a full dinner pail, nobody need care about an empty heart. "This spirit of the age," he continues, "recognizes human misery, but it absolutely ignores the fact that nine-tenths of human misery comes from human sin."

There is the root of the matter. Nine-tenths of all the misery, and nine-tenths of all the trouble that makes the "social crisis" a menace to society, is due to sin. The heart of man is not right, and consequently the life of man is wrong—man, the employer, and man, the employed. Jesus Christ alone can solve the problem of sin in heart and life, and He alone can solve the social problem.

A few years ago, in Boston, a socialist, who had read all that socialism had to say in its own behalf, and who had thought long and deeply about the social problem, came at last to see that what man needed was a new heart, and after searching in vain he came to the conclusion that there was no power in socialism to give man a new heart. Finally he got hold of a New Testament and there discovered that in Jesus Christ was the power to give a new heart to man.

A new heart, in the employer and in the employed, that will meet and settle the social crisis and settle it right and permanently, and that only.

A LIGHT-HOUSE



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MANY MEXICANS

Seek Employment in This Country

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The attractiveness of the higher wage paid to laborers in the United States has resulted in a considerable influx of Mexicans, according to a special bulletin issued today by the bureau of labor. Only a few years ago it is stated these immigrants were seldom more than a hundred miles from the border but now they are working as section hands as far east as Chicago and as far north as Wyoming and San Francisco. They are said to be rapidly displacing Japanese, Greeks and Italians in some occupations. Because of lack of education and natural initiativity the work of the Mexicans it is said is confined to the simple forms of unskilled labor, yet it is pointed out that their immigration is having economic effects for Mexico as well as the United States and is becoming an agency of something approaching a social revolution among the Mexican laboring classes. These immigrants, it is stated are mostly from the peon and from the migratory labor classes from a region where agriculture and mining are the chief employments. Work for increasing numbers each year, it is stated, has been furnished in the mines, the cotton fields and in other employments.

In most instances the bulletin adds these Mexican laborers are transients and on returning home carry back a newer and higher standard of living. The conclusion is reached that under these circumstances Mexican labor immigration is not likely to have much influence upon the United States except as it regulates the labor market in a limited number of unskilled occupations and probably within a restricted area.

FRANCE REPLIES

To the Statement of Pres. Castro

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Following President Castro's criticism of France's attitude towards Venezuela given in his interview with a representative of the Temps here last night, the French government today issued a semi-official note explaining its position. The note states that Castro was informed when he disembarked last week that no opposition would be made to his landing and also that as reported from Fort De France, Castro desired by his own personal intervention to re-establish diplomatic relations, the French government was willing provided he refrained from any declaration calculated to disturb public order. At the same time Castro was notified that eventually negotiations must occur through the regular diplomatic channels and that any departure from the above conditions would be followed by expulsion. The note says Castro made no reply to the government, but at Paris informed Foreign Minister Pichon through his physician that he was leaving for Germany.

JUDGE TAFT

IS HARD AT WORK ON HIS SPEECHES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Pres.-elect William Taft, who is spending several days in this city with Mrs. Taft, prior to going to Agusta, Ga., for a five weeks' rest preceding his trip to the Panama canal zone, had few engagements today and devoted some of his time to the preparation of the speeches he is to deliver tomorrow night at the dinner of the National Civic Federation and Wednesday night at the annual dinner of the Ohio society.

Mr. Taft has announced that he does not expect to be in a position to further outline the personnel of his cabinet during his stay in New York. He declared he was proceeding slowly in the matter of selections for the various portfolios, as he has plenty of time in which to consider the best available material.

Among Mr. Taft's callers today were Frank B. Kellogg, who has been prosecuting the government suits against the Standard Oil Co., and the so-called Harriman roads; Leslie M. Shaw and Congressman Fowler, chairman of the house committee on currency.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft are staying at the house of Henry W. Taft in West 45th street. Mrs. Taft is busy daily with her Christmas shopping.

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The weakness of American Pneumatic was the feature of the local stocks today. Copper stocks were quiet and firm.

DR. GATSOPOULOS

Popular Greek Resident Receives Diploma

Dr. John Gatsopoulos, a popular member of the Greek colony, received a few days ago his diploma from Boston university, having passed a satisfactory examination. While a regular practitioner in his native country Dr. Gatsopoulos upon coming to America immediately took up a course in Boston university for the purpose of proving his right to practise under the laws

DR. JOHN GATSOPOULOS

of this country as well as those of his native land. He has been in America only one year and came here without the knowledge of English. He is the first Greek physician in this country who has been able to learn the English language and receive a university diploma in so short a space of time. Dr. Gatsopoulos is a member of a prominent family in Greece, is finely educated and is decidedly popular with all who know him. He speakes English remarkably well, and speaks Greek, French and Italian fluently. His friends in the local Greek community are highly pleased at his success. As an instance of his popularity among his fellow-countrymen he was elected president of the Epiraus community of this city some time ago. The last issue o fthe local Greek paper had a complimentary notice of Dr. Gatsopoulos' success.

JOHN F. BREEN

Letter Carrier to Locate in California

Mr. John F. Breen, the well known and popular letter carrier of upper Chelmsford street, who a few years ago delivered mail in the down town streets, is about to remove to California, where his wife and children have been for some little time, and the employes of the local postoffice, in order to show the esteem in which they hold him, tendered him a farewell reception Saturday night at Foresters hall.

Nearly every carrier and clerk in the office was present, also Assistant Postmaster Edwards Cheney and Superintendent of Carriers Albion S. Ashworth.

Letter Carrier George S. Howard, on behalf of the carriers, presented Mr. Breen a handsome traveling case, and the latter responded in a feeling manner, expressing his sorrow in leaving men with whom he had been associated for many years.

An excellent musical program was carried out under the direction of D. P. Martin. "When Sweet Marie Was Sweet Sixteen" was feelingly rendered by Thomas F. Meagher; "Beside the Old Oak Gate," Mr. Fred Campbell; "Harrigan, That's Me," J. N. Kennedy; "Heart of My Heart," John T. Roane; "Stein Song," D. P. Martin; "Because You're You," duet, J. T. Roane and C. Austin Carey; "Dreaming," Mr. Dave Mahoney of St. Peter's choir; "Rainbow" and "Sullivan," by C. Austin Carey; Mr. Carey's dancing was a feature; George B. Leslie's famous hit, "When I Met Her at the Fountain Near the Sink;" song and dance by Kennedy and Mahoney.

The happy affair came to an end with the singing by everybody present of "So Long, Johnny, Don't Forget to Write Back Soon." Robert Fay acted as pianist in a very acceptable manner. George S. Howard was chairman of committee on arrangements and was ably assisted by John F. Slack and J. W. G. McGuire.

A DIVIDEND

DECLARED BY ARNOLD PRINT WORKS COMMITTEE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—A dicidend of 25 per cent. in cash was declared today by the reorganization committee of the Arnold Print works to holders of certificates of deposits issued under the reorganization agreement of July 23, 1908.

It was originally proposed to pay the creditors 50 per cent. in cash but this would not be declared as the receivers have not yet turned over all the cash of the companies to the reorganization committee nor have arrangements been concluded for the proposed loan of $2,200,000 from the Central Trust Co. of New York.

It is expected that the first mortgage five-year coupon bonds will be ready for distribution to the creditors on Dec. 24.

All claims amounting to $100 each or under will be paid in full in cash if the plans of the committee are carried out.

NATIONAL POULTRY SHOW

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The National poultry show begins here tomorrow. Among the special attractions will be "peggy," the $10,000 hen owned by Ernest Kellerstross of Kansas City and Prof. Armstrong's "ideal" hen, a cross between a Dorking hen and a Silver Duckwing gamecock.

DUTCH OFFICER

Tells of Seizing the Venezuelan Ship

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao, Dec. 14.—The following detailed story of the capture Saturday last of the Venezuelan coast guardship Alix by the Dutch cruiser Gelderland was obtained today from an officer of the cruiser.

At 6 o'clock Saturday morning the Gelderland was steaming slowly a short distance off the fort at Puerta Cabello. She noticed the Alix coming in and after taking up a position that prevented the passage of the smaller boat she ordered her to stop and sent off a boat to search the Venezuelan vessel. It was discovered that the captain of the Alix had hidden his Venezuelan pennant in his pocket and he pretended that his vessel was a merchant steamer. A passenger on board of the Alix, however, declared to the Dutch officer that the Alix was a coast guard vessel. A search was then maintained. The flag was found in the captain's pocket and six rifles and a small quantity of ammunition also were discovered. The rifles were in bad condition.

The crew of the Alix were given their choice of coming to Caracas or going ashore at Puerto Cabello. They adopted the latter course, embarked in one of their own boats and pulled into the harbor.

The Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador was at Puerto Cabell and the officers of the Gelderland could see her getting up steam. Smoke was pouring from her funnel. The Gelderland stayed outside Puerto Cabello for several hours, waiting to see if the Restaurador would come out, but she did not venture forth. The Gelderland manned the Alix with an officer and several marines and towed her into Curacao, arriving yesterday. The Alix is now anchored in the inner bay.

JUDGE BALDWIN

DROPPED DEAD AT LOGANSPORT TODAY

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 14—Judge Daniel Baldwin, formerly attorney-general of Indiana, dropped dead yesterday at his home of apoplexy. He was 71 years of age. Mr. Baldwin was active in republican politics. His banking interests extended to a number of Indiana towns. Following the closing of two of his banks his financial status was shattered.

BIG SEWER JOB

Has Been Completed at Last

That unsightly apparatus, the trolley system for the removal of dirt, which has occupied a prominent position in Merrimack street since the beginning of the sewer lowering job several weeks ago will be removed today and unless some hitch should occur the cars will be running in the good old-fashioned way by Wednesday next. While it is generally conceded that the trolley system is all right as a dirt remover, there are a considerable few, and some old sewer men, too, who will tell you that it is not of sufficient importance to warrant the extra cost. One thing sure it is a very formidable obstruction and the street railway people, their patrons and storekeepers alike will rejoice when it has been removed.

The job of lowering the sewer was one that the sewer men did not like, not because of the fact that their work was made the more strenuous on account of the swift operation of the trolley system, but it was a dangerous job in more ways than one, and little things have occurred that have made it uncomfortable for some of them. It was especially dangerous because of the chances of blood poison from the sewage that could not be diverted, and it was stated today that more than one man who started on the job is suffering from blood poisoning. So it is that the sewer men as well as the public in general will be glad when the last spade of earth has been turned on the job.

DYING OF STAB WOUNDS

WINSTED, Conn., Dec. 14.—Engenio De Massi is dying of stab wounds at the hospital here and Engenio De Prospero is suffering from a severe cut in the abdomen as a result of a quarrel last night in which several persons were concerned and in which knives were used freely. Several men are under arrest in connection with the affair.

THE BOHEMIAN CLUB

Yesterday afternoon the following young men met and formed an organization known as the Bohemian club: Joseph Whiteley, Richard Donohoe, Frank White, William Quigley, Herbert Daley, James Brown, Joseph Crowe, Stephen Shalvey, Thomas Bean, John Minahan, Joseph O'Brien, John J. Queenan. The following officers were chosen, Frank White, president; John J. Queenan, secretary and treasurer.

HORTICULTURAL CONGRESS

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Dec. 14.—J. P. Hess, president of the national horticultural congress, opened the first annual exposition of the organization today in the Council Bluffs auditorium. The congress will continue throughout the week.

GOT $2500

THREE UNKNOWN MEN ENTERED POSTOFFICE

SAULT STE MARIE, Dec. 14.—Three unknown men entered the postoffice here last night while Deputy Postmaster Higgins was making out a payroll, knocked him senseless and then escaped with $2500. They are supposed to have crossed over to Canada.

AEROPLANE MADE FLIGHTS

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The aeroplane Silver Dart, the fourth machine of this kind built by the Aerial Experimental association made four flights today. The balance and control of the aeroplane proved satisfactory during the flights.

PHILLIPPI BUNAU-VARILLA,
Who Condemns the Present Plan of the Canal.

CHIEF ENGINEER

Criticises Work on Panama Canal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The declaration by Phillippe Bunau-Varilla, formerly chief engineer of the Panama canal, that the great work will end in disaster unless that dam site is changed, and more millions must be spent before safe results are obtained, has stirred up a sensation equal to the latest developments between congress and the president.

Because of the fear that the famous Frenchman's statement is correct, President-elect Taft will soon make a trip to Panama and will himself look over the ground and attempt to discover just how things are going on.

Furthermore President Roosevelt has demanded data on the matter and has instructed Lieut. Col. Geo. W. Goethals to reply to the charges of Mr. Bunau-Varilla.

Senator A. B. Kittredge, chairman of inter-oceanic canal committee, has backed up the Frenchman, saying frankly that there was much of importance in what the specialist said.

"I have always been opposed to the methods being used in the construction of the canal and am as much in favor of the sea level canal in preference to the lock canal as I ever was," he said.

"Mr. Bunau - Varilla emphasized many points which I have long believed should be brought to the attention of the public. His plan of changing the location of the lock site from Gatup to Bohio Saldado has not been advocated by me and does not fall in with my advocacy of a sea level canal, but in his references to the usefulness of continuing the work as it is now being carried out and in other particulars, he expresses my ideas exactly.

"I agree with the statement that disaster may overtake the work as it is now planned."

CRICKET LEAGUE

May Lose Some of its Clubs

'It appears more than likely that the Massachusetts cricket league will be confined almost wholly to the clubs of the Boston district next season as it is very probable that Lawrence, Methuen and Zion will go into the Merrimack Valley league, says the Boston Globe. This would tend to build up the latter organization, and would be of great advantage to these clubs in the matter of saving time and expense. Each of them were scheduled to travel to Boston some six or more times last season, and local cricket will take a great boom if they decide to stay in the valley.

Since Bunting of Lowell broke away from the league three seasons back, it has been working hard to establish a strong league in the Merrimack valley. The state league prevented this for a while by forming its clubs into two territorial divisions, each of which had two grades. These divisions naturally took the names of the Boston and Valley districts, as all of the latter clubs belonged in and around Lowell and Lawrence. This plan did not work satisfactorily, and last year the whole of the league was thrown into one class, although several of the clubs were named as first class, and all the teams had to meet a certain number of these in order to qualify for the championship.

With Bunting, Merrimac, Lawrence, Methuen, Andover and Zion in the first division for the Valley league, the game would become still more popular in these mill cities, and nearly all of the clubs can also put a good second team into the field, and this radical change is more than probable for 1909."

There is hardly any liklihood of dropping the North Chelmsford or Billerica teams from the first division of the Valley league as is suggested by the absence of these teams in the said clipping. These teams have done their share in reorganizing the league and the North Chelmsford team at least, is the equal of any of the clubs mentioned.

The question which is now being raised is whether the Mohairs will be in the Valley or the State leagues. If the Valley adheres to their former action, no games will be arranged with any team in the Merrimack Valley league district unless they are members of the Valley league. This would stop the Bantings from again meeting the Mohairs and the latter would be handicapped by having to play none but Boston district teams. The Valley league will meet shortly when it will consider all applications for membership.

MRS. McCULLOUGH

DENOUNCED ADAM AS A LOAFER

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Catherine McCullough of Evanston, the only woman justice of the peace in the United States, in a woman suffrage meeting yesterday denounced Adam as a loafer, painted Eve as the mother of all arts and sciences and declared that the history of the human race showed that woman was the originator of most of the good things of the world for which man takes credit.

NOT TO TAKE ISLANDS

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The Lisbon correspondent of the Cologne Gazette says in a despatch that he is authorized to deny the story from Paris that Germany is about to acquire the Berlinsed islands, off the coast of Portugal, with the idea of establishing a fortified coaling station there.

MRS. GATES DEAD

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Dec. 14.—Teresa Gates, mother of John W. Gates, died early today of diabetes. She was 67 years of age. The body will be taken to St. Charles, Ill., in a special train that has been held at Port Arthur for a week past.

AN ARREST MADE

In Connection With the Murder of Farmer

COLEBROOK, N. H., Dec. 14.—The news of the arrest late last night of Fred Brown on suspicion of having murdered Fred Chappell, a Pittsburg farmer on Saturday reached here from Pittsburg early today. Chappell's body was found on Saturday night in a lonely place on the road leading from Pittsburg to Colebrook and about a quarter of a mile from his home. There were three bullet wounds in the head and back and the sound of the shots was heard by the victim's father, with whom Chappel lived.

Brown received the announcement that he was under arrest with great composure, although he declared emphatically that he was innocent of any part in Chappell's death. He is a laboring man and lives with his wife and children a little rented farm about a mile and a quarter from the Chappell home.

Brown's arrest is due to the fact that he is known to have been on bad terms with Chappell. It is alleged by the police that Brown objected to the attentions Chappell is alleged to have paid to Mrs. Brown. It is also alleged that Chappell's friendship with Mrs. Brown caused a separation for a time between Brown and his wife, Mrs. Brown leaving her husband's home and living for a while at her father's house. Later the Browns became reconciled and for the last few months have been living together. Chappell and his wife had also been separated for some time. Mrs. Chappell is at present somewhere in the vicinity of Boston. Chappell was about 40 years of age and had a son and daughter. Brown is 33 years of age and his wife is a year his junior.

LOWELL PRIESTS

Start Temperance Crusade in Manchester

The biggest move in the cause of temperance ever held in Ste. Marie's parish, Manchester, N. H., will take place next Monday evening in Ste. Marie's hall when the Rev. Fr. Barrette and the Rev. Fr. Brullard, both missionary fathers of Lowell, Mass., will speak. The clergymen will go to McGregorville on that night as the special guests of Court Ste. Marie, A. C. A., and through the efforts of the Rev. F. Roussel, an assistant pastor of the church.

Previous to the meeting the different courts of the city, six in number, will march in a body to the hall where a place will be in reserve for them.

The lecture will be in two parts. First, one of the priests will give the temperance talk and at the close, the other clergyman will discuss the important question from the moderate drinkers' standpoint.

HE DEFENDED HERESY

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Heresy in the Christian church was held up as a cure for present tendencies toward merely orthodox and "respectable" religion by Rev. Dr. Frank Crane of the Union Congregational church of Worcester, Mass., in a sermon here yesterday.

Mr. Crane defended heresy and heretics and urged revolt from established religious doctrines as the best means of fostering the growth of a new religion unhampered by traditional and accepted opinions.

CRUISER BIRMINGHAM

ROCKLAND, Me., Dec. 14.—The scout cruiser Birmingham owing to the weather was obliged to postpone her government standardization test today to prepare for the competitive trial with her sister ships, the Chester and the Salem. She went out to the course at 8 a. m., but an hour later returned to her anchorage, having found the weather so hazy. It was difficult to distinguish the range marks.

IN POLICE COURT

Small Docket Today all Drunks

This morning's session of the police court was a comparatively short one for a Monday, the business being disposed of with great rapidity. Inasmuch as Deputy Redmond Welch was in Cambridge attending the session of the superior court Supt. William S. Moffatt acted as prosecuting officer.

All of the prisoners in the dock were charged with drunkenness and many of them who had appeared before the court on several previous occasions were sent to the state farm at Bridgewater, while others asked to be sent there.

Of late it may have been noticed that some second and even first offenders have been sentenced to the state farm. This looks rather strange on the face of it, for the first offenders are generally released or fined $2 while the most of the second offenders escape with a $6 fine.

There are various reasons for sending these men to Bridgewater. In some cases the men have no place to stay in the winter, others are sick and need hospital treatment while others either have no ambition to work and the latter do not care where they go as long as they can get something to eat and a place to sleep.

Philip Drouin was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Breault and this morning in court pleaded guilty to a complaint charging him with drunkenness. It was his third offence and the arresting officer informed the court that the man had been hanging around barrooms during the day and at night would sleep in hallways. The court decided that the best place for Drouin to spend the winter would be the state farm and he was sent to that institution.

John F. Kelly, a second offender, was very sick as a result of over indulgence in drink and seemed to be perfectly satisfied when he received a sentence to the state farm.

Thomas Forin was in court for the third time within a month and he will spend the winter down on the (state) farm.

Thomas Egan will have his Christmas dinner at the same institution, as will Patrick H. Murphy.

Edward Carr and John W. Scully, second offenders, were fined $8 each.

There were four first offenders who were taxed the usual $2, and eight simple drunks were released without appearing in court.

Virginio Medeiros was arrested last night by Patrolman Daniel C. Donovan and in court this morning pleaded guilty to being drunk. He escaped with a $6 fine.

Patrolman David Petrie found Martin Sybil lying in the street Saturday night and sent him into the police station. This morning Martin said that he had a "little drunk." He was fined $3.

ADMIRAL SPERRY

To be Guest of Gov. McCallum

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—Rear Admiral Sperry landed from the battleship Connecticut today to pay his official visit to Sir Henry Edward McCallum, the governor of Ceylon. A guard of honor had been assembled and there was a big crowd on the water front composed of natives and Europeans. The admiral was cheered as he stepped ashore. He at once inspected the guard of honor drawn up on the pier. The guard was from the Ninety-eighth infantry regiment. After this ceremony the admiral with the members of his staff drove to the governor's residence. Later in the day the governor returned the call and was received on board the Connecticut with the usual salutes. During the stay of the sixteen battleships at Colombo, where they arrived yesterday from Manila, Admiral Sperry will be the guest of the governor, while Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder will be entertained by Gen. Lawrence.

The first batch of sailors, consisting of 28 bluejackets and two officers from each ship, came ashore in the morning and took a train for Kandy, the capitol of Ceylon, where they will spend the day as guests of the government. There will be similar excursions each day during the stay of the fleet until all have been thus entertained.

BARKING OF DOG

Warned Family That House Was on Fire

BALTIC, Conn., Dec. 14.—Aroused by the barking of a small dog in the house the members of the family of H. A. Fontaine wakened early today to find the house in flames and barely escaped in their nightclothes, the house and its furnishings being entirely consumed. The fire communicated to buildings on each side of the Fontaine block and before the flames had been subdued the house of Mrs. Elizabeth E. Cote had burned to the ground and the whole of one side of the residence of Postmaster Buteau destroyed. In the case of the two latter buildings the occupants had sufficient warning to enable them to get out most of their belongings. The cause of the fire is not known. The damage as estimated will be between $10,000 and $12,000.

SYSTEM SUSPENDS OPERATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Patrons and employes of the five lines of ferry boats running from Broadway, Brooklyn to Manhattan borough found to their surprise this morning that the system had suspended operations. No notice had been given but the affairs of the New York Terminal Co. with relation to the operation of these trans-river lines had become involved in so much litigation that cessation of the service was not wholly unexpected. The opening of the Williamsburg bridge caused the beginning of the dwindling of the ferry patronage and it long ago had fallen to a point where the lines were carried on at a loss. Justice Blackmar has issued an order that the city of New York keep the lines in operation either by finding a lessee or operating them itself.

COTTON FUTURES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Cotton futures opened barely steady. Dec. 8.58; Jan. 8.55; March 8.63; May 8.68; July 8.67; Aug. 8.65; Oct. 8.46.

TWO SMALL CHILDREN wanted to care for by the week. Address Mrs. Williams, R. F. D., No. 2, Lowell, Mass.

IN THE PULPITS

Rev. G. B. Dean on Politicians

HOLDS OUT HOPE OF BETTER TIMES

Better Times Predicted For Our Municipality—Services at the First Baptist and First Congregational Churches

Rev. George B. Dean held out a few morsels of soul-saving hope for the politician, at St. Paul's church in Hurd street, last night. There have been those mean enough to say that there is no hope of eternal life for the politician; that his acts precede him to the golden gate and that instead of being allowed to enter he is shunted to the road that has no hope; the road that leads to the land of forgets.

But the spirit of mercy has stirred the soul of Rev. Mr. Dean and he bids the politician to be of good cheer; that he's not so bad but that he might be worse and by a simple system of purification he may avoid the hoofs and horns.

It was last Friday that Mr. Dean issued a challenge, or rather sent out invitations to members of the incoming city government, to attend the evening service at his church yesterday and hear what he had to say on the subject, "Can a Politician Be a Christian?" Six members of the government so soon to be ushered in responded to the invitation and they went away feeling as if there was still a ray of hope for them.

Mr. Dean preached a very interesting sermon. He referred to the corruption of city governments, to the power of public opinion, the press and the church for good in ridding city governments of corrupt office holders. In conclusion he said:

"I believe the day is dawning when our city halls and state houses will all be in the true sense 'White Houses,' for they will be adorned with righteousness and truth and our public officials will be men whose hearts God has touched.

"Let the citizens of Lowell rally round the administration of the coming yet and under God's help bring in an era of good feeling and good times. Let the press and the pulpit unite with our chosen representatives of all parties and the men selected for every department of our city government, the legislative and the executive, in an honest effort to do our very best, and help bring about conditions that will more nearly correspond with the fulfillment of the prayer of our Lord when he said 'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'"

Rev. Dr. Seymour

Rev. Dr. Seymour, field secretary of the American Baptist Publication society, preached at the First Baptist church last evening. He preached on "Old and New Fashions," showing how they were changing all the time and he said that while fashions may change from season to season the gospel of Christ remains the same. It is adapted to all conditions, old and new.

Dr. Seymour was pastor of the First Baptist church 15 years ago and he was warmly greeted by his old parishioners yesterday. He is a genial, whole-souled man and is much beloved by the people of the First church.

There will be a special meeting of the First Baptist society Friday evening at 7 o'clock for the purpose of making arrangements for the new pastor, Rev. S. W. Cummings of Nova Scotia.

First Congregational

At the First Congregational church, last night, the pastor, Rev. B. A. Willmott, spoke on "Redemption." His theme was the redeeming work of Christ for men and the work of the redeemed man for society. The service was strong in interest. The chorus choir of 38 voices sang three choruses from "The Redemption," under the direction of Frank B. Murphy, with Solon W. Stevens at the organ.

BOXING GOSSIP

The bouts this week are:

MONDAY.

Harry Lewis vs. Willie Lewis, and Jeff Doherty vs. Paddy Sullivan, New Haven.

Jack Blackburn vs. Jack Robinson, Philadelphia.

Jimmy Dunn vs. Frank Madole, Pittsburg.

Jimmy Hanlon vs. Gus Ross, Salem.

TUESDAY

Owen Moran vs. Frankie Neil, Johnny Lynch vs. Ike McLean, and Cleve Hawkins vs. Henry Hall, Armory A. A.

Bill Papke vs. Hugo Kelly, Vernon, Cal.

Arthur Cote vs. Dick Nelson, Albany.

Harry Mansfield vs. Willie Clark, and Peter Maher vs. Bob Evans, Philadelphia.

Jeff O'Connell vs. W. Lucas, Reading, Pa.

Kid Dufresne vs. Freddie O'Brien, North Adams.

WEDNESDAY

Jem Driscoll vs. Grover Hayes, Philadelphia.

Tommy O'Keefe vs. Joe Hirst, Olympic A. C., Kensington.

THURSDAY

Jem Pendergast vs. Jim Stewart, Lawrence.

Johnny Lynch vs. Mike Cunningham, Lewiston, Me.

Jim Potts vs. Bill Lauder, Alberta, Can.

Eddie Curtis vs. H. McCann, Lancaster, Pa.

FRIDAY

Bill Hurley vs. Jim Williams, Glens Falls, N. Y.

Patsy Kline vs. Willie Jones, Baltimore.

SATURDAY

Young Donahue vs. Dave Deshler, New Orleans.

John Willie vs. Al Kubiak, Philadelphia.

For some reason or other assumed names have always been popular in the ring. Kid McCoy's real name is Norman Selby and Tommy Ryan's proper title is Joseph Youngs. Young Corbett's handle is Billy Rothwell. Leach Cross, who made so good a showing against Packie McFarland, is a Hebrew by birth and his name is Fred Wallach. Young Fitzgerald is rightfully named Herman Ziegler. "Sailor" Burke, who has been figuring in the east, has a family title of Chas. Prasser. Frank Carsey is an Italian and his name is Frank Carsello. Terry Martin is a Norwegian and his real name is Martin Martinson. Freddie Cole's name is Fred Kohl and he is a German-American by birth. Young Donohue's name is Philip Powers. Many boxers even change their Christian name, like John O'Brion, who adopted the name of "Rouse" O'Brion, and Frank O'Toole, who boxes under the ring name of Tommy O'Toole. Colored boxers have a more elaborate array of titles. The husky candidate for honors in his class known as Young Peter Jackson wears the harmless name of Sim Tompkins off the stage. There is much dispute over Joe Gans' original title, but it is generally believed that his family name was Cotton. To return to the white boxers, Steve Kenney's real name is Herman Wendorf. John Russell prefers to be known as "Unk" Russell, for some reason best known to himself. Harry Lewis has a family name of Henry Besterman. Kid Herman's proper handle is Herman Landfield. In the heavy weight ranks, Tommy Burns' proper name is Noah Brusso. George Memsic sometimes appears under that name and sometimes under the title of Jimmy Burns. Dick Hyland is really named William Uhren. Joe Thomas was born as Joe Daly. As a contrast, many think that Battling Nelson assumed his name. In reality, his full and correct name was Oscar Battling Nelson, and the term "Battler" is an adaptation of his own family name.

Word comes from Sydney that the betting on the Burns-Johnson heavyweight championship fight, to be decided there on December 26, is at even money. While Burns has a strong following in the Australian sporting world, Johnson has made many friends since his arrival at Sydney because of his hard training and his general appearance. In Australia the opinion is prevalent that the coming mill will be strictly on the level and that each man has an equal chance of winning. New York sporting men who have seen both Burns and Johnson in action have not shown any inclination to bet on the fight because of the numerous reports that there is something queer about it, but at that many of the experts believe that Johnson will win. Bob Fitzsimmons, who is in Ireland, was asked the other day for an opinion on the coming mill. He said, without reserve, that he believed Johnson would be successful, for the reason that the negro is a terrific puncher, is heavier and more clever than Burns and consequently can go any distance. As the battle will be to a finish Fitzsimmons says that Johnson can take his time, and by reason of a better physique can wear Burns down. Fitz also declares that Burns has never beaten a first class pugilist, and that his "fights" with second raters in England, Ireland and France did him no good. Burns is charging admission to persons who wish to see him at his quarters in Sydney, which shows that he is still after the dollars. The promoters of the mill say they expect that the gross receipts will be close to $80,000, and that there will be a profit for them. Johnson has been boxing with Joe Grim, the well-known Philadelphia "punching bag," and when he got on the scales the other day he scaled at 198 pounds stripped. Burns will weigh about 12 pounds, it is said, which will enable Johnson to have a pronounced advantage.

Young Corbett will have another chance to show whether he can fight or not at the Southern Athletic club, New Orleans, tonight, when he tackles Phil Brock, a Cleveland lightweight, in a twelve round bout. Corbett has taken off nearly forty pounds for this affair and weighs about 138. He did some hard training in New York before he left for the Crescent City and expressed the belief that he would display some of his old form. But unless Brock is a very poor second rater ring followers believe that Young Corbett will suffer a defeat. The Denver boy has never taken much care of himself, and for that reason it is the general opinion that he will lack the necessary stamina and hitting power. Ty Cobb, the star right fielder of the Detroits, will be the referee.

The California fight promoters are already bidding for a battle between Jem Driscoll and Abe Attell for the featherweight championship of the world. Charley Harvey, Driscoll's manager, has already received an offer from Jas. Coffroth of Colma of 60 per cent. of the receipts. Baron Long of Los Angeles wires that he will give 65 per cent., while Jack Gleason of 'Frisco sends word that the fighters can have 70 per cent. If the match is made it is believed that Coffroth will get it. Attell has been quoted as saying that Driscoll can have a match if he will agree to weigh 122 pounds at the ringside. If Attell sticks to this proposition there may be no fight, as Driscoll is understood to be after better weight terms.

Stanley Ketchel has refused a $7,000 guarantee to meet the winner of the Kelly-Papke fight at Los Angeles next week and gives as an excuse that he is no longer a middleweight.

TEXTILE TEAM

MAN OPENING GAME FROM BOSTON COLLEGE

The Lowell Textile school basket ball team opened its season Saturday night by defeating the fast Boston college team by a score of 31 to 17. Brainard and Bunce played an exceptionally good game for the local team and Churchward carried off the honors for the visitors. The lineup and score:

LOWELL T. S.	BOSTON COLLEGE
Holden, rf	lb, Parle
Bunce, lf	rb, O'Keefe
Brainard, c	c, Doyle
Manning, rb	lf, Churchward
Huntington, Jefferson, lb	rf, Sweeney

Score: Lowell T. S., 31; Boston College, 17. Goals from floor—Brainard 5, Bunce 4, Churchward 4, Holden 3, Doyle 2. Goals from fouls—Textile school 7, Boston college 5. Referee—Hay. Timers—Lee and Newell. Time, 20 minute and 15 minute periods.

They Have Arrived

These delicious sausages from Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Any person that has never eaten any of the products of this celebrated farm has never had the best in the world. Keefe Bros.' market is the only store in this city that handles their products. They keep hogshead cheese and all other parts of the porker, from the famous stock farm. Call at once at Keefe Bros. market, cor. Market and Dutton sts. and place your order.

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DONOHOE LEADS

Has the Best Individual Average

The Y. M. C. I. leads the other teams in the Catholic Duck Pin league this week with the Burkes a close second and the C. M. A. C. and Y. M. C. U. tied for third place. Joseph F. Donohoe of the Knights of Columbus leads in individual average, with McCormack of the Burkes a very close second.

The following is the standing of the teams:

TEAM STANDING

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Y. M. C. I.	14	7	66.6
Burkes	13	9	62.5
C. M. A. C.	13	8	61.9
Y. M. C. U.	13	8	61.9
Belvideres	14	10	58.3
K. of C.	13	11	54.1
St. Louis	11	10	52.3
Alpines	10	14	41.6
St. Peter's	6	18	25.0
St. John's	5	19	20.0

Games for the week of Dec. 14th:

Monday—St. Peter's vs. C. M. A. C. Y. M. C. I. vs. Y. M. C. U.

Tuesday—Alpines vs. Y. M. C. I. St. Louis vs. C. M. A. C.

Wednesday—K. of C. vs. Belvideres

Thursday—Burkes vs. St. Louis.

Friday—St. John's vs. Y. M. C. U.

MINOR LEAGUE

In the Minor league race the Cubs are in first position with the Chestnut Club second and Shawlights third. The Cubs are putting up a very fast game and hold the record for total pinfall in the league. Wilson leads in individual averages. The standing:

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Cubs	17	4	80.9
Chestnut Club	16	5	76.1
Shawlights	12	9	57.1
Frontenacs	10	11	47.6
Nationals	9	12	42.8
Centralvilles	9	12	42.8
Lincolns	6	15	28.5
Americans	5	16	23.8

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Wilson 95, Clark 93, Hall 92, McElroy 92, Corcoran 91, Henderson 91, Michaud 91, McIntyre 91, A. Saunders 91, Davis 91, Carnavle 90, J. Murphy 90, Choquette 91, Peterson 90, T. Murphy 89, Perrin 89, Dwyer 89, Buckley 89, Frenchette 89, H. Demers 88, Richardson 88, Sturtevant 88, Redman 88, Martin 88, W. Grant 88, P. Demers 87, Gilligan 87, Keegan 87, Butterfield 87.

CENTRALS WON

The Centrals defeated the Crosbys on the Crescent alleys Saturday night in a close and well contested game. Caney of the vanquished team was the high roller of the evening. The score:

Centrals	1	2	3	Tl
Kelley	71	81	110	262
Bradley	71	67	85	223
Campbell	82	71	75	228
Kane	89	80	77	246
Noonan	70	78	77	225
Totals	383	377	424	1184

Crosbys				
McCann	66	76	73	214
Shea	64	63	73	200
Donoghue	79	83	74	236
Caney	96	85	96	277
Albert	77	69	100	246
Totals	382	375	416	1173

DIAMOND NOTES

Manila is a great baseball town. Besides 8000 American troops and 15,000 American citizens, there is a population of 250,000 natives to draw from. The natives are interested in and play the game well. Honolulu is the greatest baseball city of its size in the world. It has a better ball park than anything on the Pacific coast. The game is played there the year through, and there are at least eight different leagues in this city of 45,000 people.

Ban Johnson and H. C. Pulliam are going to California immediately to look into the claims of the outlaw league for protection under the national agreement. If it is decided to admit the outlaws to organized baseball Hal Chase will be forced to return to the New York Americans or quit the game. Manager Stallings still insists that he has had no dealings with Chase, but baseball men generally declare that Stallings will have the star first basemen in line when the spring practice begins at Macon. President Helges of the St. Louis Browns said the other day that Chase is one of the greatest ball players that ever put on a uniform and that even in spite of his erratic temperament he would rather have Chase on first base than anybody else. If Chase decides to apply to the commission for reinstatement he will probably have to pay a fine of $200 or more before he can be eligible to play under Stallings' management.

It is a fact that some of the American league club owners were rooting against the Detroits toward the end of the recent pennant race for the reason that they did not care to see them take part in the world's series because of their disastrous defeat at the hands of the Cubs in 1907. These magnates were pulling for either the White Sox or the St. Louis Browns to get into the series with the Chicago Cubs and were undoubtedly disappointed when Detroit won the flag.

Elberfeld will not be a member of the New York Americans next year. That has been settled, and the first favorable offer for his services will be accepted. Several managers want the once great shortstop, but they are not willing to give up his equivalent in playing talent.

From all accounts the Boston Americans have picked up a fine young player in Hooper of California. He is 21 years old and is a civil engineer, having been employed for a time on the new Western Pacific railway. He played his first professional baseball engagement last season as a member of the Sacramento club in the outlaw circuit, but is not on the blacklist as a result. He was the fastest man in the league, batting .341, against such pitchers as Strickett, Moskiman, Henderson, Brown and others. Hooper is an outfielder, and President John I. Taylor, who discovered and signed him for Boston, says he will make good.

The National league clubs in Brooklyn, Boston and St. Louis are in search of managerial talent. The owners of these clubs have always regarded themselves as expert baseball judges, and for that reason the opinion prevails that managers are not permitted to exercise absolute authority while in their employ. The fact that Boston, Brooklyn and St. Louis have been practically out of the pennant races in recent years shows conclusively that there is something radically wrong.

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NOW for Systematic Shopping. Lists should be complete and this week's buying campaign should begin today. This store was never more Christmas-like in its red and green decorations, never more Christmas-like in its tremendous array of gift things. Santa's headquarters means your headquarters. Use this store as such. Leave your wraps at the office. Use our reception room. Use the phones. If you've mail or express parcels to send, our office and shipping room are at your service. Finally, shop early in the day, and carry the smallish parcels when convenient.

The first Christmas thoughts are for the children. Here goes—

IN TOYDOM—Our big Merrimack Street Basement, you'll find every sort of Toy heart could wish for. Toys that "go" Toys that make music, and real noise Toys that are instructive, and Toys that are only Toys, the sort that pleases for only a day, perhaps, pleasure that you would give worlds to experience. To really enjoy this atmosphere of make-believe, bring the youngsters with you.

COME TO DOLL LAND

The universal gift for the little feminine hearts. We planned months ago for this Doll population and we are not disappointed when the little girls go in raptures over this or that pretty creation. And they're not expensive. See how little they can be bought for.

DRESSED DOLLS

Here are found hundreds of styles of pretty ladies in dresses of lawn, silks, satins, etc., all prettily trimmed with lace and with hats to match. Prices 25c, 39c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.69, $2.50, $2.98, $3.50, $3.75, $3.98, $4.50 and $5.00.

RAG DOLLS

The "Playtime" style of all-cloth Dolls with handsome photographed faces. Baby Dolls, Dinah Dolls, Clown Dolls, Red Riding Hood and many others at 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.

JAPANESE DOLLS

A small lot. Special at..15c Each

DRESSED DOLLS

A small lot only, of importers' samples, $1.00 and $1.25 values, for 75c

DOLLS' HATS

At 10c, 20c, 25c, 30c and 50c Each

DOLLS' JEWELRY

Consisting of Strings of Beads, Earrings, etc .....5c and 10c

UNDRESSED JOINTED DOLLS

Dolls with moving eyes, ball and socket jointed arms and legs, light or dark hair, with or without shoes and stockings, at 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00.

The famous "Kestner" No. 107 line Crown-jointed Dolls, with finely shaped limbs and hands, curly hair, in different sizes. Prices, according to size, $2.00, $2.50, $3.75, $4.25 to $5.00 for a 30-inch Doll.

"Kestner's" No. 169 line Crown-jointed Dolls, a very high grade, beautiful in shape and finish. These have eyelashes and parted curly hair. Prices, according to size, $2.50, $3.50, $4.50, $6.00 to $7.00 for a Doll 31 inches high.

KID DOLLS

A large variety of sizes and styles from which to make a selection. Dolls with moving eyes, with and without eyelashes, hip and knee joints, etc. Prices, 25c, 50c, 62c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.25 and $2.50.

The Book Store

You've more than one Book Gift on your list this year if you are one of the average, for in no other manner can you express an almost everlasting Merry Christmas at so small an outlay.

You admire works of art? See our Calendars.

Alger's Books for Boys are supreme. These are bound in cloth, with four colored illustrations,

Price 25c Each

Adrift in the City
Andy Grant's Pluck
Bob Burton
Bound to Rise
Brave and Bold
Chester Rand
Do and Dare
Facing the World
Frank's Campaign
Hector's Inheritance
Helping Himself
Herbert Carter's Legacy
In a New World
Jack's Ward
Jed, the Poorhouse Boy
Julius
Luke Walton
Only An Irish Boy
Paul Prescott's Charge
Paul, the Peddler
Phil, the Fiddler
Risen From the Ranks
Sam's Chance
Shifting for Himself
Sink or Swim
Slow and Sure
Store Boy
Strive and Succeed
Strong and Steady
Try and Trust
The Telegraph Boy
The Young Adventurer
The Young Bank Messenger
The Young Miner
The Young Outlaw
The Young Salesman

25c Each

PALMER ST.—CENTRE AISLE

Give Gifts of Spotless Table Linen

HERE IS A CHANCE FOR MONEY SAVING

The entire clean-up of one of the largest mills in the Old World, including Samples, Odd Pieces and Seconds of Damask, Pattern Cloths, Napkins, Lunch and Tray Cloths, at about half the price of regular goods.

DAMASK

10 pieces of 60, 66 and 72-inch extra heavy, good patterns. Only 39c, worth 69c.

7 pieces All Pure Linen, 64 inches wide, very heavy quality and handsome designs. Only 59c, worth 79c.

27 pieces 70-inch Pure Linen Damask, an elegant range of patterns, at 79c, worth $1.00.

18 pieces 70 and 72-inch Pure Linen Damask, extra weight and handsome designs 98c, worth $1.39.

PATTERN CLOTHS

150 Pattern Cloths, all pure linen, 62x64 size. Only 98c, worth $1.75.

100 Pattern Cloths, size 68x86 size, good heavy all linen, at $1.39, worth $2.00.

Other Pattern Cloths in all sizes at equally reduced prices.

NAPKINS

Odd Napkins matched in quality, but the designs vary from small sizes to dinner size, at prices from 15c each to $9.98 dozen.

Our regular Christmas Linen stock is better equipped this year than ever. Our Damask Napkins, Pattern Cloths with Napkins to match, Hemstitched Sets, Crashes and Glass Towelling, Towels in damask, huck and Turkish, Tray Cloths, Bath Mats, Bureau Scarfs and Pillow Shams, all marked at special low prices.

Palmer St.—Left Aisle.

Christmas Jewelry

GIFTS THAT WE GUARANTEE

Hat Pins, gold filled, engraved, plain and with stones..25c to $2.00 Each

Beauty Pins, solid gold and gold filled, also black enameled with inlaid dots of gold..25c to $6.00 Pair

Cuff Links, solid gold and gold filled, plain patterns for monogram, also chased, engraved, 50c to $8.50 Pair

Bracelets, hand engraved, stone set and chased, gold filled. $3.50 to $5.00

Neck Chains, solid gold and gold filled, 14, 16 and 18-inch long, 75c to $5.75 Each

Fancy Neck Chains, fine gold filled with pendants of baroque pearls, light sapphire, amethyst, rose, turquoise, topaz and coral. $3.50 to $7.50

Lockets, one-tenth gold and gold filled and plated Lockets, hand engraved, fancy designs and plain, good for monograms. $1.50 to $4.00 Each

Fobs, fine gold filled Ribbon Fobs, with buckles and signets for monograms..... $1.25 to $3.50

Solid Silver Buckles and Belt Pins, $1.00 to $7.50 Each

Gold filled Buckles and Pins, hand engraved and etched, rose, green and Old English finish, jade, turquoise, topaz, ruby amethyst, sapphire and rose stone set, 50c to $4.50 Each

Neck Pendants, fine gold filled baroque pearl drop and colored stones, rose, light and dark sapphire, amethyst, jade, topaz, coral and turqonise .....75c to $3.75 Each

Brooch Pins, solid gold and fine gold filled, Old English, rose, green and Roman finish, assorted stones, jade, topaz, aqua marine, sapphire, rose, coral, turquoise, amethyst and baroque pearls.....50c to $5.75

Collar and Veil Pins, solid gold and fine gold filled...25c to $3.25 Each

Fine Gold Filled Beads, $3.50 to $6.50 String

Sterling Silver Card Cases, $6.50 and $9.00 Each

Fancy Waist Patterns for Xmas Gifts

2500 Patterns put up in handsome boxes are now ready for your inspection, put up full 3 1-2 yards in each box, which is ample for any size waist, and we do not hesitate to say that we are showing the greatest variety of styles ever shown, in all the newest fabrics. Full 3½ yards in each box. Prices 39c, 49c, 69c, 75c, 89c, $1.00 and $1.25, and up to $5.00.

150 styles to choose from, both white and colored.

Palmer St.—Centre Aisle

Ribbons for Tying Christmas Packages

Yuletide Ribbon, red and green combination, 10 yards to piece, 19c Piece

Plain Holly Red Ribbon, 10 yard pieces ..... 10c Piece

Plain Holly Red Ribbon, also white with holly design, in 10 yard pieces, 25c Piece

Holly Ribbon, ½-inch wide, in two patterns..... 25c Piece 10 Yards

West Section—Centre Aisle

Remember that the most refreshing Drinks and Bracing Concoctions are to be found at our Soda Fountain. New specials every day served in the innovation way.

New Fancy Work

Inexpensive works of linen, lace, leather marked with silk, paint or the pen. Hundreds of little remembrances, among which you'll find these—

Shaving Pads....25c, 50c, $1, $1.50
Match Scratchers.....25c, 50c, 75c
Penwipers.....25c, 65c, $1.00
Bookmarks 10c, 15c, 25c
Telephone Lists.....35c, 75c
Engagement Books...50c, 75c, $1.50
Memo Books.....25c, 50c, 75c
Postal Card Holders, 25c, 75c, 87c
Needle Cases, 25c, 50c, $1.25, $2.00
Ribbon Cases.....50c, $1.50, $2.25
Playing Cards.....75c, 87c, $1.25
Clipping Books..... 59c, 89c
Silk Books 59c
Jewel Packets $1.35
Silk Work Bags $1.50
Hatpin Holders, 25c, 39c, 50c, $1.00, $1.50
Pin Balls 25c, 50c, $1.00
Photo Frames 19c, 39c, 50c
Hair Receivers.....25c, 50c, $1.00
Postal Card Books....10c to $1.50
Medicine Cases.....50c to $1.25
Glove Menders, sets. ...$1.50
Finished Pin Cushions, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00 to $4.50
Finished Pillows....$1.00 to $12.00
Embroidered Centers, $3.50 to $12

East Section—Centre Aisle

ARE 55 YEARS WED

Anniversary Observed by Mr. and Mrs. Learned

Mr. and Mrs. John Learned celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage yesterday at their cosy little home, 496 School street, near the corner of Branch street. While the observance was a very quiet one, the event was celebrated in an appropriate manner. The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Learned were present.

Mrs. Learned will be 80 years of age April 10 next and her husband's 80th birthday will be on July 28.

At the time of their golden anniversary they were congratulated by numerous friends and were the recipients of many beautiful and appropriate presents.

Mr. Learned was born in Piedmont, N. H. He came to Lowell when 21 years old and has lived here since. He was employed for many years at box making for Otis Allen & Son and now he works for John Thompson at box making. His place of employment is a considerable distance from his home, but he is on time in the morning and is able to do a good day's work. He is a member of Wamesit lodge, K. P.; Lexington council, O. U. A. M., and Dorcas temple, Pythian Sisters.

Mrs. Learned's maiden name was Pauline H. Gilman and her native place is Norridgewock, Me. Her grandfather, Peter Gilman, served as a soldier in the war of the revolution. Her father brought three of his daughters and three daughters of neighbors from Maine to Lowell in a stage coach. She was nine years old when she came to Lowell.

Mrs. Learned has been a great observer of the many changes and growth of the city and in conversation with a representative of The Sun mentioned a great many of those changes. That she is well able to give a history of the growth of the city goes without saying, owing to the fact that she has been a resident of Lowell for 70 years.

When she first came to Lowell there were but two grammar schools here, the Bartlett and Edson, but at that time they were known as the North and South schools. The high school was located where the Free chapel is in Middlesex street, and there were but few primary schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Learned were married in Haverhill, Dec. 13, 1853. Two children, Edward, now a resident of Ayer, Mass., and Mrs. James E. Lewis of Ashland, Mass., were born to them. There are seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

RISKED HER LIFE

Young Woman Dashed Through Flames

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Miss Mary Grace Lyons, 23 years old, of 8 Wyatt place, Somerville, proved a heroine yesterday afternoon by dashing through flames to save the life of her 18-months-old nephew, Leo Conway, who was asleep in the kitchen of the Lyons' home.

It is feared that Miss Lyons will die of her burns. At the Somerville hospital late last night her condition was reported to be extremely critical. In their efforts to remove the young woman's blazing clothing, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lyons, were also burned.

Miss Lyons was sitting at a kitchen window reading. An unlighted kerosene lamp slid off a shelf, fell on the kitchen range and bounded on the floor. The oil became ignited and for a few seconds the room was a veritable sheet of flames. The covering over the baby in his carriage caught fire.

Disregarding her own danger, Miss Lyons darted through the fire, which ignited her thin house dress, and removed the burning covering from the sleeping baby. She wheeled the carriage into the dining room, where she fell to the floor, crying for aid.

SUNDAY SLEIGHING SKETCHES

FIRST SLEIGHING

Of the Season Enjoyed Yesterday

Great weather for shoe dealers and horseshoers. It would have been better had there been more snow, but nevertheless it caused a material boom in these two lines of business within the past few days and anything that will boom business in any line is to be welcomed like the proverbial "little stranger."

Those who had their sleighs ready for immediate use and horses "sharpened" got busy on Saturday evening and enjoyed their first sleighride. Those who waited until Sunday didn't find the going much good, while those who went out today didn't stay out long for the thaw put the sleighing to the bad. But for a few blissful hours sleighing was fairly good.

The snow and rain made the rubber business boom while the horseshoers were worked hard at "sharpening."

Today was an ideal day for fishing through the ice on the neighboring ponds and many took advantage of it. The ice is thick enough for the purposes of fishing while the temperature could not be improved upon for ice fishing.

The coming of snow has raised the ante-Christmas enthusiasm of all for somehow, though it has never been explained beyond the old Scotch adage of the green Christmas and the fat kirkyard, rich and poor alike rejoice upon seeing a snow mantled Christmas season.

30,000 LABORERS

Killed By Accidents the Past Year

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Between 30,000 and 35,000 deaths and two million injured is the accident record in the United States during the past year among workingmen, according to a bulletin on accidents issued today by the bureau of labor. Of these employed in factories and workshops it is stated that probably the most exposed class are the workers in iron and steel. Fatal accidents among electricians and electric linemen and coal miners are declared to be excessive while railroad trainmen were killed in the proportion of 7.46 deaths per 1000 employes.

The bulletin declares that much that could be done for the protection of the workingman is neglected, although many and far reaching improvements have been introduced in factory practice during the last decade.

GRIFFITH DEAD

On the Eve of His Wedding

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A devotion to his sweetheart that would not permit his leaving her bedside when she was ill of typhoid fever cost the life of Frank Griffith, 31 years of age, a Northwestern university athlete of the early '90s, just on the eve of his wedding. Some months ago Griffith's fiancee, Miss Susan Haddock, fell ill with the fever, but was sustained in the fight by the presence of Griffith at her side. She recovered but he was stricken with the same malady and died yesterday.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

The first question one asks when the press and the bill boards announce the annual visit of any of the well known repertoire companies, is "Well, I wonder what they have new, this year?" which proves that the demand for novelties among those who patronize the popular price attractions is just as keen, as with those who attend the high price attractions exclusively. One of the leading repertoire attractions which visits this city annually is the Adam Good company, which, being under progressive management, is always to the fore with new ideas and up-to-date offerings. Among the good things they will present during their engagement at the Opera House this week commencing tonight, is a play with a brand new theme, a love story without a hero, titled "The Little Gray Lady," from the facile pen of Channing Pollock, author of "The Secret Orchard," and the dramatic version of "In The Bishop's Carriage." The play is a story of Washington life, its characters, sharply defined, are just plain, ordinary folks, its movement is easy, the interest does not flag, and its people are human and believable. For that reason the play strikes home, and one's interest is just as much centered in the last act as in the first. The dialogue is crisp, there are little touches of nature here and there that bring the moisture to the eye, while the natural development of the unusual plot makes "The Little Gray Lady," a play that is well worth seeing.

ROBERT EDESON

When Robert Edeson arrives here next Wednesday for his annual local engagement at the Opera House, where he will be seen in his new play, "The Call of the North," the popular star will have completed an automobile trip of two months' duration. Since the opening of his tour in Atlantic City, on October 5th, Mr. Edeson has been traveling in his Mercedes touring car, and will have covered over 8000 miles through New York, Pennsylvania and New England, before he arrives here.

"THE MERRY WIDOW"

During the full year's engagement of "The Merry Widow" in New York, the piece was seen by one man forty-six times. During its Boston run of 150 performances one man witnessed the charming Viennese operetta twenty-eight times. These record "repeaters" are the best tests of real merit in an opera.

HATHAWAY'S THEATRE

Those who delight in seeing an absorbing and well-written sketch, well presented, will have their desire gratified at Hathaway's theatre, this week. "A Lamb on Wall Street," is this sketch and it is acted by Bert Coote and company. Mr. Coote has been seen in several highly amusing acts in vaudeville, among which "Supper for Two" will be remembered as a particularly agreeable effort. "A Lamb on Wall Street" is his latest sketch, which will be seen here for the first time, and which was written jointly by Herbert Hall Winslow and Mr. Coote. As the younger member of a firm on Wall street, who is being initiated into the mysteries of bulls and bears, longs and shorts, he excites laughter and interest by his boyish manner and the consummate shrewdness with which he meets the most trying situations.

The Sutcliffe family, of seven members, appear in one of the best Scotch acts ever put over the circuit. There are pipers and dancers and acrobats. All of the members of this family have appeared in the English halls and in many parts of America. Their act is sure of wide appreciation. Cal Stewart, the rube comedian, known throughout the land for his ability as an entertainer, has always scored a big hit wherever he has appeared. As a maker of phonograph records he holds a top position, and he has undoubtedly told more stories and sung more songs to the phonograph than any man or woman. Dainty and refined musicians are the three Weston sisters. They play on a variety of instruments. Harry LeClair is the best female impersonator this city has ever seen. Ryan and White, are lively steppers and are declared to be one of the best pairs before the public today. Savo, the kid juggler, opens the bill. The program closes with moving pictures.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

The success of the Academy of Music as a moving picture theatre was demonstrated beyond a peradventure last week when crowded houses were the rule throughout the week and the constant increase in attendance has shown the management that a first class motion picture and vaudeville theatre in Lowell will be a paying proposition. Hon. Joseph J. Flynn, lessee of the Academy, held a conference with the owners of the theatre relative to making extensive changes in the theatre for next season and installing a first class moving picture theatre that will have no superior in New England. His proposition includes the dropping of the stage to the ground floor, the establishment of a large foyer, retiring rooms and smoking room and the addition of another balcony. The owners of the property are said to be agreeable to his proposition and he is now in communication with theatrical architects relative to plans for the proposed new theatre. During the coming week moving pictures and illustrated songs will form the program and three reels of pictures will be given including for subjects pictures of a dramatic, humorous and historical nature and all new films. Mr. William Rouse will be heard again in new illustrated songs and there will be a complete change of bill on Thursday. Next week talking pictures will be the attraction. Admission 10 cents, all seats free and children half price.

THEATRE VOYONS

Today one of the best programs of the season will be offered at the Theatre Voyons. The leading story picture will be "The Queen of the Arena," a story of circus life which will surely please the patrons of motion pictures for practically the same story has been playing to packed houses under the stage name of "Polly of the Circus." The leading comedy will be "The Acrobatic Maid" and it's sure to be as big a hit as "A Runaway Horse," "Her First Bike Ride," and several other like pictures for the principal comedian is the same in each. "The Acrobatic Maid" is a laugh from beginning to end and the antics of this lively female together with an entire family in whose service she is who are also taken with a desire to develop their athletic propensities make one of the funniest of recent pictures.

JELL-O
The Dainty Dessert
PREPARED INSTANTLY. Simply add boiling water, cool and serve. 10c. per package at all grocers. 7 flavors. Refuse all substitutes.

NEW IDEA SHOE COMPANY
119-121 MERRIMACK ST., LOWELL

Great Shoe and Rubber Sale

We have collected together all the odd lots from this season's stock of Shoes and marked them all down to cost to close out. This week we received Five Carloads of Rubber Footwear and our clerks have been busy marking them and they are all ready for you at 50 per cent. less than regular prices.

SHOES
About 100 pairs women's $2.50, $3 and $3.50 Shoes, in gun metal, patent colt and Russia calf, button and lace, all made for this season's wear. All go at
$1.98 Pr.

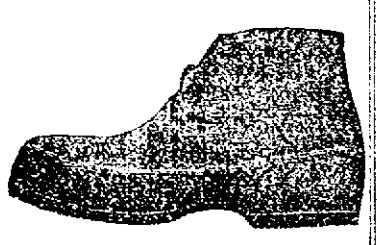
SHOES
We have left about 85 pairs Men's W. L. Douglas $3.50 Shoes, in gun metal and box calf with heavy double soles. Sale price
$2.49 Pr.

SHOES
Two lots of Boys' and Girls' Shoes, in all about 220 pairs that sold for $1.25, $1.50 and $2. We shall close them all out at
98c Pr.
Girls' sizes 8½ to 2.
Boys' sizes 10 to 5½.

Rubbers, Rubber Boots and Overshoes at 1-2 Price

Men's $2.50 High 4-Buckle Overshoes, heavy or light weight, like cut, sale price
$1.98 Pair

Men's $1 Heavy Rolled Edge Rubbers, medium or storm cut, like cut, sale price
75c Pair


Men's Heavy $1.25 1-Buckle Overshoes, like cut, sale price
98c Pair

Misses' and Children's 40c Heavy Sandal Rubbers, in all sizes,
25c Pair

Children's $1.25 high 2-buckle Overshoes, sizes 6 to 10½. Sale price
89c Pair

Over 1000 Pairs Lumberman's Rubbers, of all styles, lace and buckle, to be sold at wholesale prices. 1-Buckle Rubbers for felts or stockings,
$1.29 Pair

Men's 65c Self Acting Rubbers, like cut, sale price
49c Pair

Women's 60c Storm or Medium Cut Rubbers, like cut, sale price
39c Pair

Women's $2 High Cut, 2-Buckle Overshoes, good for stormy weather, same as cut, sale price
98c Pair

The Bon Marché
DRY GOODS CO.

SANTA CLAUS
WILL HOLD RECEPTIONS

All this week, daily from 9.30 to 11 a. m. and 2.30 to 4 p. m.

Bring down the children and let them talk with him and get one of his latest photos. Every department in our store is filled to overflowing with

SUITABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR EVERYONE

UNBROKEN STOCKS AND PLENTY OF SALESPEOPLE NOW; YOU KNOW HOW IT WILL BE LATER.

Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Books, Linens, Shirt Waist Patterns, Furs, Bath Robes, Kimonas, Toilet Articles, Art Goods, Jewelry, Slippers, China, Perfumes, Ruchings, Pipes, Umbrellas, Pictures and Shirt Waists are always very acceptable Gifts.

TOYS AND DOLLS ALWAYS PLEASE THE CHILDREN

Dolls and small toys are in the basement and large and mechanical toys on second floor.

The Earlier You Shop the Easier for All.

Santa's Mail Box is located as usual at Main Entrance.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily net average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1907 was

15,453

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman, of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1908.

JAMES E. O'DONNELL, Notary Public.

This is by far the largest net average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

BOSTON'S ELECTION.

Tomorrow the city of Boston will hold its election. This year it does not elect a mayor, and hence the excitement is not so intense as if two or more candidates were striving for the mastery. This will probably be the last election that Boston will hold under its present charter, as the people seem to be anxious for the change and the legislature only too ready to make the experiment.

THE CONVICTION OF RUEF.

The trial of Abe Ruef of San Francisco on the charge of bribing a supervisor, had been in progress 106 days when given to the jury, Wednesday afternoon. The trial has attracted extraordinary attention owing to the prominence of Ruef and the shooting of Heney, the chief prosecutor, by a convicted criminal who had been rejected when drawn on the jury. Ruef's conviction is but the logical outcome of his boldness in every species of grafting. Every conviction of this kind is a victory for the forces of good government.

BACK TO THE FARMS.

Already we have remarked on more than one occasion that it is a very grave mistake for the vast bulk of the people to rely upon manufactures for their sustenance. The earth holds boundless treasures that she gives up only in exchange for labor.

The farmer who tills the soil in a scientific way will be well repaid in abundant crops; the miner who uses scientific knowledge in conjunction with manual labor will also reap a rich reward, and the man who converts the lumber of the forest into building material, ready for use, can rely upon being well recompensed.

The farms especially are most available and most easily made productive. There is no good reason nowadays why the young man will abandon the farm for city or factory life. On the contrary it would be better for many who live in the cities and work year in and year out in the factories, if they would go out to the farms, take up the cultivation of the soil and prosecute it with as much regularity and assiduity as must be given to factory work.

It is a well known fact that if a man of intelligence works as hard on a farm of his own, he can save more money than he can by working in the factory that is not his own. Moreover there is variety and inspiration in the work. It imparts strength and vigor of mind and body whereas there is nothing more calculated to shrivel up the faculties than long continued employment at mechanical operations that call for little or no mental effort.

It is an easy matter to rent a piece of land and make it productive. In a short time the produce would enable the cultivator to purchase it outright. Men who have any spare time from their regular occupation should take up some waste land and cultivate it. If it be only a vegetable garden it will pay well for the labor expended upon it.

There is a great opportunity for farmers, market gardeners and florists to make money at the prices that prevail at present for such products. If farmers raised cattle for slaughter they would certainly have good profit even at less than trust prices. The same may be said of pork, poultry, eggs, mutton, oats and wheat.

If Lowell had a public market it would be a great inducement to many residents of Lowell to embark in market gardening which is a very profitable pursuit when skilfully conducted.

With eggs 60 cents a dozen there is great inducement to those who can raise poultry to do so and to adopt the best means of preserving eggs so that those who corner the market and raise the prices may not have things entirely their own way.

In the suburbs of Lowell and even within the limits of our city there are many tracts of waste land that can be made productive by comparatively little labor. Here is an opportunity for the men who have some leisure time and who are willing to do a little manual labor that will bring them an abundance of fresh vegetables in the summer with perhaps a supply of the less perishable to last through the autumn.

The advantages, financial and otherwise, to be obtained by paying more attention to the farms, the gardens and forests, cannot be too strongly impressed upon our residents in order to turn the attention of a reasonable number of them from the factories as the only source of employment by which they can earn a living. We want a diversity of industries, but to promote this it would be well for our citizens to endeavor, as far as possible, to find a diversity of employment. So long as practically all look to the factories our prosperity will never be secure.

While we urge those who can conveniently do so, to draw upon the wealth to be obtained from the soil, yet we do not intend in the least to disparage the advantages of technical skill and its rewards in the mills of Lowell. On the contrary we would urge those who do not take to farming to avail themselves of the opportunities for advancement resulting from the acquisition of textile trades. These trades can be acquired in the Lowell textile school or by experience in the mills. The man is to be pitied who plods along in the same rut day after day and year after year without any ambition to rise or to improve his condition. Such a man can have no hope of advancement, and he should understand from the experience of those around him that it is only by personal effort and unceasing industry that men rise in the industrial scale to positions where their services will be liberally rewarded.

SEEN AND HEARD

The police officials should get after delinquents who fail to remove snow from the sidewalks. There are several places within the city limits where the sidewalks are now not shoveled, notwithstanding that the snow storm occurred on Saturday.

There are cases in Lowell where people leave empty ash cans and refuse barrels on the sidewalk for forty-eight hours after the board of health team has removed the contents of them. In one case a man running to catch a car on a dark night fell over one of these obstacles and was injured.

Sergt. "Tom" McCloughry of the local police is in receipt of a miniature copy of the Australian Star, published at Sydney. The front page contains a welcome picture to the American fleet. The date of the issue is Aug. 20. Several pages are devoted to the American fleet and its arrival and on page seven there appear the words and music of a song of welcome entitled "Rulers of the Sea," Australia's welcome to Columbia. The miniature edition abounds in cuts and pictures, and it is very evident that the Australian Star is a progressive and up-to-date sheet. The pony edition was sent to Mr. McCloughry, by his sister, who lives in Sydney.

"Say," said the joker, "do you know what they do out west when it snows like this?"

"No, I don't; what do they do?" responded the Lowell man in grouty manner.

"Why, they just let it snow," cheerfully explained the joker.

"Do you know what they do in Lowell?" asked the Lowell man.

"No," responded the joker.

"They turn it into rain," said the testy one, adding "This is the blankety-est weather I ever saw!"

If you are looking for Christmas bargains, "there's no place like home."

Santa Claus never went down a chimney with any more rapidity than Danny Gleason of the Lowell Cadet band went down in Central street Saturday morning while marching along blowing into the bass horn in the Santa Claus parade. The horn is so large that Danny can't see anything ahead of him but brass when playing on it, and he has to walk along without looking. The band was coming down Central street with Danny blowing cellar notes that shook the big buildings, when his feet struck a slippery rail at the corner of Prescott street and the feet went out, the horn up, and Danny down, landing with a resounding bump in the snow. It was several minutes before he had recovered sufficient wind to produce any more cellar notes.

THE GAME

Too well I know we lost,
I will not count the cost—
Ours is no victor's claim,
But then—we played the game.
We had our hour of flame
And scorned the safe retreat.
So take we life's defeat.
No weakness and no shame
Were ours to spoil the game;
We bear no part in blame,
Life has no better part.
What counts the broken heart,
Or feeble slave of fame?
It's all to play the game;
To win or lose the game.

Leap year is drawing to a close with several unmarried women left in stock.

THE BALLAD OF PRUE

Miss Prue Priscilla Perkins was a prim New England maid,
And she never had a suitor since her hair came out of braid.
Though she looked like Dresden china, when in Sunday best arrayed,

But Prue went West one summer and she proudly wrote her name
On a stake upon the prairie, where the wild sunflowers flame,
And she built a paintless dwelling on a treeless, manless claim.

It wasn't long, it happens, ere the news was spread broadcast,
And the cowboys came to view her—and they came a-riding fast—
And Miss Prue, who'd had no suitors, said: "The tide has turned at last!"

Now ponies cluster Sundays round the Perkins ranch house small,
And the Perkins parlor bursteth with admirers short and tall,
And a ticket to New England wouldn't please Miss Prue at all!

Arthur Chapman in the Denver Republican.

You may abuse your enemy, your friend and your kin, and possibly escape punishment, but if you abuse your stomach you will have to account for it.

Only one week from next Friday to Christmas. Now is the best time to make the purchases that the holiday season calls for, and those who shop early get the best bargains in the quality of their purchases and the prices they will have to pay. The rush and crush and discomfort of the last week before Christmas can all be avoided if the holiday shopping is attended to early and the presents bought and the matter off the mind. And in planning for a shopping expedition the stores of Lowell should not be overlooked. Our progressive merchants, in anticipation of the holiday trade, have laid in stocks of goods that cannot fail to secure the attention of critical as well as careful buyers, and an early inspection of their attractive wares will convince the customer that no mistake will be made by trading in Lowell.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Boston Herald: With withdrawal of the education bill by the Liberal ministry, following soon after the house of lords' rejection of the licensing bill, rumor again takes up the tale and predicts that exigencies of strife within the liberal party and criticism from without will soon force the ministry to appeal to the people again, and that right early. Which done, so say readers of omens, there will be a liberal reverse and the return to power of the coalition of tories, liberal unionists and conservatives by nature or interest. In proof of which they point to the result of most of the recent bye-elections. Authorities differ as to who is most to blame for the final rejection of the compromise education bill. It is not important to decide, for extremists in both the Anglican and the Nonconformist folds succeeded in defeating the moderates, and once more the nation is face to face with bitter strife over an issue that the colonies and the United States settled long ago. In its licensing bill the ministry challenged the most thoroughly entrenched "vested" interests.

SWEET MILK

Lawrence Telegram: Some farmers can have sure-enough sweet milk if they follow the example of the enterprising farmer who is the subject of the following in the New York World:

"The Wisconsin dairyman who has found that molasses fattens his cows and increases their milk while improving the quality has merely put to practical use the enlightened view of the dietetic value of sugar which we owe to the new chemistry of food.

"The notion that sweets are deleterious in themselves has gone the way of other food fallacies. In its place is the scientific recognition of sugar as the equal of starch in fat-forming and heat-producing qualities and its inclusion as a ration in the diet of the German soldier. Confectionery with a 'fuel value' of 1680 calories surpasses roast beef, porterhouse steak, mutton chops and bread, while chocolate leads the whole list of articles of diet in supply energy.

"Who knows but some investigator of the future will find in the matinee girl's caramels the foundation of that physical vigor and mental alertness which is the admiration of foreign observers? Or discover in our seventy-six pounds per capita consumption of sugar annually the physical basis of our eminence among nations?"

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PEOPLE OF NOTE

Dr. Helen Bourchier, an English suffragette, who has served a short term in prison, throws some light on the psychology of the released convict. Sometimes a convict, after a long term of confinement, comes to prefer the cell to the clash of the outside world, to which all his faculties have become strangers. Many ex-convicts never regain their ability to cope with life. "I found," says Dr. Bourchier, "even that short term of imprisonment in some subtle way affecting my mind. The trivial incidents of the prison life, that at first I had known and found to be absolutely unimportant, began to loom larger and larger before my mental vision, and I found myself losing all sense of proportion. . . But the fact which showed me most startlingly the effect produced on my mind by the unnatural conditions of seclusion, silence and monotony which prevailed in Holloway was the growth of a strange feeling of apprehension, of shrinking from the outside world."

Miss Laura A. Hecox has kept the light at Santa Cruz (Cal.) for 27 years. In all that time the light has never failed; nor has one ship been lost off Santa Cruz.

Mme. Sembrich is saying explicitly to her friends and to interviewers in New York that her approaching retirement from opera will leave her only the freer for song recitals and that she expects to return to America—and more than once—for them.

Mr. Warfield has been saying in Chicago that next year Mr. Belasco will give him a new play; that hereafter he is to act Shylock in "The Merchant of Venice," and ultimately King Lear in Shakespeare's tragedy. His design seemingly is to make a repertoire that shall range from "The Music Master" and "A Grand Army Man" upward.

When the president's message reached the senate, says the New York Times, there was a dignified march of senators in the direction of the cloak rooms. A number remained in their seats, but they did not listen to the reading. Copies of it were on the desks and a few turned the leaves of the pamphlet idly. There was a noticeable absence of enthusiasm or comment. The republican senators, naturally, acknowledged that it was a "powerful and statesmanlike paper," but they refrained from hysteria. The democrats merely sniffed. It was no better and no worse than similar papers in the past, they agreed.

The message was received in the house without the least pretence of enthusiasm. At one time only thirty-four republicans were in the chamber, and all but a few of these were reading newspapers, writing letters, or talking in twos and threes. The speaker was present part of the time, but his attention was completely absorbed in conversation with Mr. Boutell. Only once something like a handicap was heard, but that turned out to be Representative Longworth, the president's son-in-law, attracting the attention of a page. At the conclusion of the reading Mr. Payne sprang to his feet and moved that the message and its accompanying document be referred to the committee of the whole house for distribution.

The recent gift of A. G. Spalding to the University of Chicago, calls attention to a unique feature of the university library, namely, the collection on athletics and physical culture housed in the Bartlett gymnasium. This collection ranks as a branch library, and receives an annual appropriation for the purchase of books; but its most important accessions have been by gift. Early in its career the library received in this manner the bulk of the baseball collection gathered by George Wright, a famous player of Boston; and a few years later the valuable library of Karl Euler of Berlin was bought and presented to the university by Walter Wilson of Chicago. The collection, which now embraces material of great value to the historian of sport, was recently visited by Mr. Spalding, who offered to fill the gaps in baseball material from his own library. Mr. Spalding possesses, besides the material which he has himself gathered, the library of the late Henry Chadwick, known as the "father of baseball," and part of that of George Wright. It is hoped from his own library. Mr. Spalding's collection may also, in course of time, find its way to the Bartlett gymnasium.

GOT BURGLAR

WOMAN SENT FOR HER HUSBAND AND SON

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 14.—"Come home at once!" was the message telephoned by Mrs. George E. Hackett last night to her husband, who was at a restaurant on Main street. Without stopping to ask questions Mr. Hackett and his son Charles ran to their home on the corner of Federal and Bank streets, where they found a man trying to break in at a back window.

The man was finally captured in the Centre street schoolhouse yard, after a lively chase, Mr. Hackett and his son being assisted by special officers John S. Towne and Leslie Stetson.

BRESNAHAN FOR MANAGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Stanley Robison, owner of the St. Louis National league baseball club announced Saturday that he had completed a deal by which Roger Bresnahan, the famous catcher of the New York National league club, will go to St. Louis as manager of the National League club of that city. St. Louis will give Kargo and either Fromme or Lush to Cincinnati in return for Catcher Schlei and will then exchange Schlei, Outfielder Murray and Pitcher Raymond of St. Louis with New York in exchange for Bresnahan.

SCHOONER WRECKED

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The steamer Vigilancia, which arrived Saturday night from Nassau, had on board Capt. Gaul and his crew of eight men of the schooner Horace Macomber, which, while bound from Rockport, Mass., for Key West, was wrecked on Mossells Shoal. The schooner was built at Newburyport, Mass., in 1880, and was owned in Boston. Her net registered tonnage was 96 tons.

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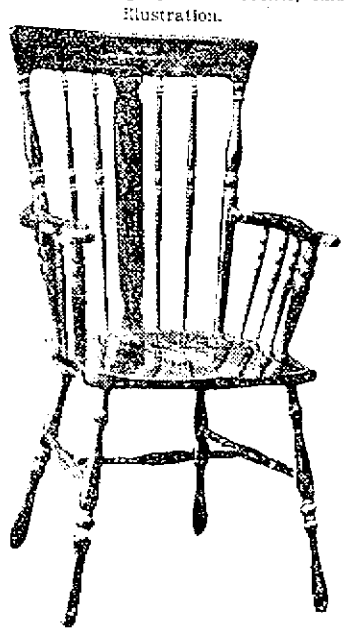

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Dickey Kersey Coats, lined with sheep pelt, deep storm collar $3.50

Fancy Cheviot Reefers, lined with selected sheep pelt, waterproof inner lining $5.50

Oil Tanned Black Leather Coats, corduroy lined, pockets on both sides, two coats in one..... $5.50

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PACIFIC FLEET

Arrived at Panama Sunday Morning

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—The Pacific armored cruiser fleet arrived here yesterday at noon and anchored in the harbor, near the Yorktown, which preceded the big cruisers by one day. It was half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning when the eight cruisers first came into view of the expectant crowds. The flagship West Virginia, headed the column and the others followed in single file in this order: Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, California, South Dakota, and Washington.

A big crowd watched the manoeuvring of the fleet as it entered the harbor and steamed to its landing place.

The voyage from Magdalena was without special event, and all was reported well on board. Special arrangements have been made to entertain the officers and sailors ashore.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Man Got Off at Wrong Station

WAKEFIELD, Dec. 14.—Jas. J. Cronin of 18 Emerald street was killed shortly after midnight by being struck by a train which left Boston at 11.35 last night. It is supposed that he left Boston on the 11.05 train from Boston and got off at Greenwood by mistake, that he then started to walk to Wakefield, about a mile distant. When near the Wakefield Junction tower house, he was struck by the engine of the last train from Boston. He was taken to Wakefield station on the train and Dr. Sopher summoned. It was found that his neck was broken and he had several deep cuts about the head. He died fifteen minutes after reaching Wakefield.

MRS. ALLEN INJURED

Mrs. John Allen of Henry street broke her left leg yesterday about noon. The ambulance was summoned and she was taken from 346 Suffolk street to her home.

THE 10-HOUR DAY

Breaking Down the Health of Women Says Commission

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 14.—"After giving this matter careful study, we are fully convinced that the 10-hour day for women in our manufacturing establishments, under the present system of high speed and large number of machines to be tended, is more than flesh and blood can stand," states Thomas J. Lyons of Vinal Haven, commissioner of industrial and labor statistics, in his annual report touching on the question of shorter hours for women and children. The report was given to the press yesterday.

Continuing, Commissioner Lyons says: "Assuming that women are less able physically to stand the confinement and fatigue of factory work than men—in short, that the 10-hour day tends inevitably to shorten life, and that the state has the right to legislate for their protection, two propositions that cannot be successfully gainsaid, it is certainly the duty of th state to fix the hours of labor for women at such length as to give them the opportunity of obtaining a livelihood without positive danger of breaking down their health and of endangering the vitality of their offspring.

Worse Than Old 13-Hour Day

"There can be no question but that the 13-hour day of the early factory work in Lowell, where women were obliged to tend no more looms and frames than they could easily take care of, and they had plenty of time to sit and rest, sometimes 20 or 30 minutes at a time, was not so wearing or detrimental to health as the 10-hour day of the present time, when, with machinery at a much higher speed than formerly, a woman tends 10 spinning frames or from 12 to 16 Draper looms, which require her almost constant attention.

"It may be argued that the woman at domestic service works longer hours than her sister in the factory and without greater detriment to her health. This is undoubtedly true. But it is the conditions under which a person works which make for health or disease.

"The domestic works in a comparatively pure atmosphere, and her work is so varied that it can hardly become monotonous. She is not 'tied to a machine,' either mentally or physically; while on the other hand, the factory operative, besides her physical labor, is under a constant mental strain during her entire day's work, and this often where the very air she breathes is debilitating.

Injury to Children

"It is claimed by reliable medical authorities that the death rate among children of factory operatives is excessively high, due in part to the debilitated physical condition of the mothers and in part to the neglect and improper and irregular feeding of the children in the absence of the mothers."

THE CATHOLICS

Number 16,000,000 in United States

ROME, Dec. 14.—Mgr. Glennon, the archbishop of St. Louis, was the first to be received by the pope Saturday since his recent indisposition. Among the many matters laid before the pope by Mgr. Glennen was a statement concerning the first real attempt at a Catholic census in the United States, to which work the archbishop was appointed by the government.

"His holiness," says Mgr. Glennon, "was much impressed on hearing that the figures positively ascertained by us greatly increase the former estimate. Our results show about 14,000,000, from which 15 per cent. is to be deducted in the printed reports to allow for children under a certain age who are not counted.

"I explained to the pope that while these are the figures reached in the official count, a great deal of supplementary information convinces me that the actual number of Catholics in the United States is not short of 16,000,000.

"The pope asked me many questions about the Italians in the United States, and he was pleased when I told him of a colony from northern Italy settled in my diocese who made splendid American citizens and are doing well in the world, besides being a credit to the church.

"I was also commissioned by the president and directors of the St. Louis exposition to offer to the pope their congratulations and present him a gold medal commemorative of the event. The medal is similar to those already presented by Mr. Francis to the German and Austrian Emperors, the King of England and the president of the French republic. It was struck by the United States mint, and is an excellent work of art."

The archbishop of St. Louis, with Mgr. Allon, bishop of Mobile, Ala., assisted at the great academic event of the Roman scholastic year, namely, the conferring of degrees and the awarding of distinctions at the great international university of the propaganda.

FOUGHT A DUEL

One Man May be Fatally Injured

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 14.—After a duel with knives lasting about 15 minutes on Franklin street last night, Pasquale Marano was taken to the hospital with several deep cuts in the face and breast, and Raphael Blaso was taken to the police station with a lacerated arm. It is believed that Marano is fatally injured.

Both men are city laborers, and the cause of the fight dates several years back, before either had come to this country. Both loved the same woman but neither got her. Neither could live in the same city with her as the wife of another. Both emigrated, but at different times. They met in Concord when both had married. But the enmity between them which had begun in their native land had not died out. They worked side by side, but it was not until last night that any mention of their previous differences was made.

TO SINGLE MEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Sixty winners in the drawings for homestead on the Rosebud reservation formed a permanent association here yesterday. The chief problem submitted to the single men follows:

"Would you marry a girl to go out to a new country and build a home with you with the chance of having to live for the first five years of your married life on farms separated by thirty miles of prairie?"

Committees were formed to deal with the difficulties confronting the prospective settlers.

BURNED TO DEATH

Mother and Daughter Perished in Fire

BRUNSWICK, Vt., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Laura Smith, housekeeper for James Gilkey, a wealthy farmer here, and her two-year-old daughter were burned to death early yesterday in a fire that destroyed Mr. Gilkey's farm buildings on the North Stratford road, about two miles from the latter place.

Mr. Gilkey himself escaped in his night clothes, but was so dazed by the excitement that he is unable to tell a connected story. It is not known how the fire originated.

Mr. Gilkey succeeded in saving a desk containing some valuable papers, but practically everything else is a complete loss.

The buildings were of a better class than ordinary farm buildings, and the loss upon them will probably reach $5000 or $6000.

PRINCE CHUN

TO RECEIVE A SALARY OF $105,000

PEKING, Dec. 14.—Statutes fixing the official status of Prince Chun, the regent, were published today. The prince is to receive an annual salary of $150,000 taels about $105,000 and is made commander-in-chief of both the land and sea forces of the empire.

A palace will be built for him near the sight of the late dowager's winter residence.

CASTRO IN COLOGNE

COLOGNE, Dec. 14.—President Castro arrived here last evening from Paris and spent the night at a hotel. Early today he started with the members of his party for Berlin. The president looks to be a sick man.

LOST AND FOUND

HAND PAINTED MINIATURE PENDANT attached to gold chain, lost Friday eve., Dec. 11, in Hathaway theatre or in vicinity of Market and Central sts. Finder please return to Sun Office.

PAIR TAN KID GLOVES lost in or near Northern depot. Finder will receive reward for return of same to W. H. I. Hayes' cigar store.

EMERALD ROSARY BEADS, gold linked, lost Saturday morning between Immaculate Conception church and Fort Hill. Please return to 183 Pleasant street.

POCKETBOOK LOST on the Broadway car or on Merrimack st., Saturday noon, Dec. 12, containing sum of money. Reward if returned to Sun Office.

ENVELOPE LOST containing sunburst pin, between 98 and 62 Central st. Liberal reward at A. E. Sully's, 62 Central st.

EYE SPECTACLES found in Merrimack sq., Thursday morning. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this ad. at Sun Office.

Lowell Institution for Savings

Under authority of Section 40, Chapter 590 of the Acts of 1908, I, George S. Barrows, now of Kansas City, Mo., administrator, do hereby give notice that I have made written application to the Lowell Institution for Savings, Lowell, Mass., for a duplicate deposit book of Account No. 41454, standing in the name of William E. Barrows, which said deposit book is lost or destroyed. Signed,

GEORGE S. BARROWS,
Administrator.
Kansas City, Mo.

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LEGAL NOTICES

CONSTABLE'S SALE

Middlesex ss. Lowell, Dec. 14, 1908.

Taken on mense process on a writ of M. Carney & Co. against John B. Clancy and will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described property: 1 Bay Horse, 1 Express Wagon, 1 Express Harness, lot Burlap, Ropes, etc., at 319 Moody street, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1908, at 2.30 p. m.

E. K. McGAUVRAN,
Constable of Lowell.

Notice is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Ernest I. Curtice, late of Berwick, in the State of Maine, deceased, intestate, having estate in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to Harvey B. Harriman, Administrator, 40 Wilbur st.

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 12, 1908.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of John Harrington, late of Billerica in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by John Harrington, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex;

Respectfully libels and represents Ella J. Ketchum, of Holliston, in said County, that she was lawfully married to Albert B. Ketchum, now of parts unknown, at Holliston, Massachusetts, on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1884, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Albert B. Ketchum lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Holliston, and said libellant has resided in this Commonwealth for more than five years next preceding the filing of this libel and that she did not come into this state for the purpose of securing a divorce: that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Albert B. Ketchum, being wholly regardless of the same, at Deposit, in the State of New York, on or about the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1886, and at divers other times was guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Albert B. Ketchum.

Dated this 23rd day of November, A. D. 1908.

ELLA J. KETCHUM.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Nov. 27, A. D. 1908.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,
THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

UPRIGHT PIANOS—W. F. Trumbell has just received a carload of extra fine upright pianos, the stock is full of great bargains. Call at once, 101 Westford street.

PING PONGS FREE—Be the lucky one. Every 20th sitter gets his Ping Pongs free. Ping Pong Studio, 268 Merrimack st.

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MARY A. MULHOLLAND—Maternity nurse. 659 Gorham st., Tel. 1023-2.

STORAGE—Several places for storage at Scott's block. Inquire 392 Middlesex st.

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS—Razors, scissors and knives sharpened in first-class shape, at Harry Gonzales, 125 Gorham st. Tel. 952-2.

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FOURTEEN DEAD

Result of Explosion of Dynamite in Canal Zone

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Fourteen are known to be dead, three of them Americans, and 50 injured, several seriously, from the premature explosion of 21 tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo in the Panama canal zone Saturday.

The following dispatch was received today from Chief Engineer Goethals by the chief of the Washington office of the Isthmian canal commission:

"CULEBRA, Dec. 12, 1908.

"Capt. F. C. Boggs, Washington, D. C.:

"The premature explosion of 21 tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo at 11.10 this morning resulted in the death of 14 men and the injury of 50. Three or four of the injured will probably die. Following Americans killed:

"James T. Hummer, craneman, steam shovel, Dunnellen, N. J.

"John J. Korp, steam shovel engineer, Phillipsburg, N. J.

"John J. Reidy, powderman, Indianapolis.

"Seriously wounded—Benjamin H. Cole, foreman, Rochester, N. Y. Slightly wounded—Arthur H. Bassett, foreman, Philadelphia; W. G. Bell, foreman, New York city; C. W. Hayden, steam shovel engineer, Sandusky, O.

Goethals."

MORE BODIES IN WRECK

COLON, Dec. 14.—The explosion Saturday at Bas Obispo of a 25-ton dynamite blast was the most serious accident in the building of the Panama canal since the United States took control.

A thorough investigation, with a view to fixing the responsibility, has been ordered, and already officials are taking evidence.

The dead now total 14. Many bodies have been recovered, but it is believed that a score or more are still under the masses of rocks and earth that were thrown up. The death list would have been appalling had a train conveying 500 laborers arrived a few minutes later. This train steamed through the cut and was barely out of view when the explosion occurred.

For a distance of 800 feet in length and 400 in width the Bas Obispo cut presents a graphic picture. The whole hillside has been devastated, the dynamite rending the earth in twain and tossing huge bowlders in all directions.

A 90-ton steam shovel is a complete wreck, crushed under the weight of falling rocks. Every one of the crew was killed. All the tracks in this section were torn to pieces and are now cov
now covered with tons of debris.

The work of clearing away the wreckage continued throughout the night, but a much longer time will be necessary to clear away the great heaps of earth and rocks in the search for the buried dead. Hundreds of men were on the scene yesterday, working heroically to find the bodies.

The charge consisted of 51 holes, 60 feet deep, and spread out over a large section of territory. The last hole was being charged by John J. Reidy, an experienced powderman, when it exploded. The others were exploded by the concussion. Reidy was blown to pieces.

Officials at the Ancon hospital, where many of the injured were taken, report that they are doing well.

ENGINEERS MEET

State Branch Session in Lowell Yesterday

The semi-annual convention of the state branch of the International Union of Steam Engineers was held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple. There was a large attendance of delegates and considerable business of importance was transacted, the principal topic being relative to the question of convict labor and employes of the state.

The following resolutions were adopted by the convention:

Resolved, That this matter be brought to the attention of the Massachusetts district police.

Resolved, That the legislative committee of the state branch be instructed to introduce a bill into the legislature to repeal the law granting special licenses to engineers.

Resolved, That this convention favors an eight-hour day for all employes of the prison departments of Massachusetts. We also think it right and proper that all state employes should have their wages paid weekly.

Resolved, "That we endorse the wage schedule of local 742, Boston, to go into effect Jan. 1.

The convention elected the following officers: President, R. McVite, Quincy; vice-president, E. H. Beane, Brockton; secretary, W. N. McEvoy, Milford; treasurer, M. T. McNerney; all re-elected.

It was voted to hold the next semi-annual convention in June at New Bedford.

The local committee in charge of the arrangement consisted of President William Kenefick, Jones, Davy, Allard, Martin, Greenwood and Hersome.

There were 60 delegats from out-of-town. The local delegates were William Kenefick, William Gould and Geo. Chamberlain.

Delegate McMahon of Milford reported as delegate to the international convention at Philadelphia. The international vice-president, A. M. Huddell of Chelsea, installed the newly elected officers.

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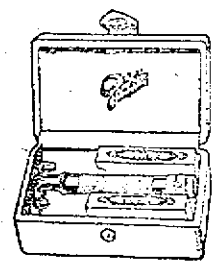

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MAN MURDERED

His Body Placed on the Railroad Tracks

BOWDOINHAM, Me., Dec. 14.—The discoveries of two section men of the Maine Central railroad along the tracks east and west of this village early yesterday morning have convinced the officials that a murder was committed late Saturday east of the town and that the victim's body was placed on the track, where a passing locomotive struck it.

Scott Brown, one of the section men, found to the east portions of the man's body, and Joseph Dionne, the other section man, found to the west the trunk and head.

Brown's discovery included further evidence of a murder. About 100 feet from Dunham's crossing he came upon a place between the rails, indicating that the body had been laid there. At this point was a large pool of blood, which apparently had flowed from a wound.

Outside the rails on one side the snow was troddendown as if there had been a fierce flight. Impressions in the snow showed that a man had been knocked over backward and also upon his face.

Fifteen feet from the tracks a man's hat was found. It had a hole in the front. This hole was newly made, evidently with a sharp instrument, possibly with a revolver bullet.

Appearances were that after the man had been rendered unconscious he was placed between the rails to bleed to death.

Chairman James H. Ames of the selectmen and W. R. Given, 2d selectman, who visited this spot, found the footprints of two men. Some of the prints were made with a foot shod with new rubbers 12 inches long, while the others were of little worn rubbers 10½ inches in length, exactly corresponding with the rubber overshoes of the dead man.

Footprints of still another size led up a hill and into the woods, but the officials do not believe the man who made these prints was concerned in the fight. The last named footprints were made early Saturday evening evidently, as they were frozen in the snow, while the prints of the other two men were much fresher.

An undertaker took the remains and clothing to his rooms, where an examination was made.

It was determined that the man was about 45 years old, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches tall, weight 155 or 160 pounds. The face, much disfigured, has a prominent nose. He wore a close-cropped black mustache, had not shaved for about two days, and his hair was black with a few gray hairs in it. He was a man who took good care of himself, apparently.

His clothing, badly damaged, consisted of a heavy reefer with a checkered lining, a navy blue vest, heavy outside shirt of gray, and an undershirt. He wore heavy rubber overshoes, which had been so recently purchased that the trademark had not been worn off the heels. On the little finger of his left hand was a chased gold ring about one-quarter of an inch wide. There were no initials or other marking on the ring.

The man was not a tramp nor woodsman, as is shown by his hat and the absence of heavy leggings.

FOR DAY NURSERY

The vaudeville show given for the benefit of the Lowell General hospital last Wednesday night was repeated Saturday night at Colonial hall for the benefit of the Day Nursery. There was a good sized audience and the program was presented in a capable manner. At the conclusion of the entertainment dancing was held.

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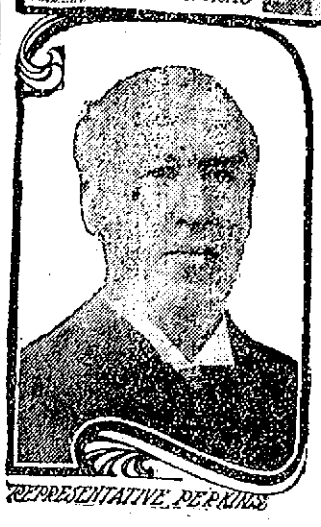

REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS

SECRET SERVICE

Three Men in Washington Controversy

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Representative Perkins of New York is chairman of the special house committee to consider the statement in the president's message concerning the law which denies the treasury department the right to lend secret service men to other departments to uncover crimes against the government. The president's remarks stirred some of the members of congress to anger, and the incident is likely to be followed by some lively debate. This group comprises Representative Perkins, who called for the appointment of the committee; Wm. J. Burns, the secret service man who ran down the San Francisco grafters and the land swindlers, and Francis J. Heney, the San Francisco prosecutor, who was shot while trying a case in court. It is the first picture taken of Mr. Heney since the shooting and shows him with his head bandaged to protect the wound made by the would-be assassin's bullet.

The Thompson Hardware Co. is offering a beautiful all brass 5-o'clock tea kettle for $1.69. Just the thing for a nice present.

THE PRESIDENT

Getting Rifles Ready for Hunting Trip

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—It is stated here that for his African trip, President Roosevelt has ordered from the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. four different types of rifles.

The first of these rifles is known as the Model of 1895, of 405 calibre. This is the most powerful rifle made and is intended for the very largest type of African game. The rifle carries a 300 grain bullet and is used with smokeless powder and is the most modern type of rifle of the kind made. The power of the rifle can be measured by the fact that the bullet at the time of impact has an energy of 3509 foot pounds.

The second rifle ordered by the president for his African excursion is known as the Number 30 government rimless cartridge type, carrying a 220 grain bullet. It is of much higher power than the model of 1895 and of longer range, fitted to kill very large game at a range of from 500 to 1000 yards, though at the latter range the bullet must be placed. The cartridge is of the type developed by the government and it is inferred that it will be particularly valuable for sport with the lions, and animals of that size and type in the African wilds.

The third rifle ordered is of the model of 1886, an extra light weapon carrying 45-70 government cartridge with its most effective range at 50 yards. It is of the type which the president had often used in the past. It is of 405 calibre and has as much energy after the bullet has gone 200 yards as the government rifle has at the muzzle. This is the rifle which the president has used very much in his past excursions for big game in the west.

The fourth rifle ordered by the president is known as the Model of 1894, calibre 400 and effective up to 200 or 300 yards, to be used for moderate game, carrying a cartridge with a bullet of 170 grains loaded with smokeless powder. It is also of a very high power type of rifle which he has used also in his western hunts for big game; notably in his Colorado trip.

With these four rifles provision has been made for every type of game that the president looks for in the African wilds.

FARMER KILLED

He Was Murdered in Lonely Spot

PITTSBURG, N. H., Dec. 14.—An investigation was started Saturday into the murder of Fred Chappell, a Pittsburg farmer, whose body, with three bullet wounds in his back and head, was found Saturday night in a lonely spot on the main road between this town and Colebrook and about a quarter of a mile from his home. The fatal shots were heard by Chappell's father, who lived with him, and who was the first person to discover his son's body.

Footprints leading from the highway through the woods gave the officers a clew and it is understood that they had some one under surveillance.

Chappell was about 40 years of age, and had a son and daughter. For some time he lived apart from his wife, who is at present in Boston. The daughter, about 6 years old, is at her father's home here, while the boy, who is a year or two younger, lives with his mother.

It is said that the person against whom suspicion was directed was jealous of Chappell's attentions to a woman, and this is believed to furnish the motive for the deed.

ADDRESSED THE CADETS

At the last meeting and drill of the A. G. Cadets, Lieut. Mottram of Company G, M. V. M., gave an interesting drill talk before the privates and officers and later before the officers only; he gave good advice on extended order work.

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MELBA'S RETURN

She Will be Heard Again in This Country

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mme. Melba, the famous prima donna, has just returned to America after a world tour and will be heard in several operas in New York and Philadelphia during the

MME. MELBA

present season. Later in the winter she will be heard in concert in various cities in the United States and Canada. "Otello" will be one of the first operas in which she will appear. The cast will be the same as was heard in Covent Garden, London.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Mr. Joseph Carpentier, the village blacksmith, is rejoicing over the birth of a baby boy, who arrived Saturday morning, making the ninth child, five girls and four boys, and both "Joe" and his estimable wife are yet nearer 30 years of age than 40.

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GRAFTER IS NOBLEST WORK OF FRAUD

Graft Denouncers Are Oft-Times Grafters—Spirit of Manhood is Being Lowered—The Need of the Hour is Not More Gold, But More God

"The Needs of the Hour" was the subject of an interesting address by Hon. George D. Alden of New York at the Y. M. C. A. meeting in Hathaway's theatre yesterday afternoon. Every seat in the house was taken and the speaker's version of the grafter as told by him was very interesting. He said, in part:

"There are four great relationships in life. The four relationships are: The social or commercial, the political, the religious and the domestic. All the troubles of the nations of old, as well as of the nations today, are traced to a lack of regard for these four aspects of life. They are due to a growing disregard of the individual in his relationship to these four moral obligations. There has been a certain spirit in the air in the history of all nations which impelled men on to God, or draw them back.

"Let us look at the ages of our own land, and of the moving spirits in them. The first age was that of the Pilgrims. That age was dominated by conscience. Then came the age of the patriot, which had its beginnings in the days of '76. The spirit of liberty and loyalty permeated everything. The heroic age was that beginning in 1861, when the spirit of humanity and honor was foremost. Now we arrive at the present age. Happily we are passing out of what for the past thirty years we have been in. This has been largely an age of things material rather than spiritual. It has been an age of graft and greed.

"I am here not to denounce but to defend the grafter. I will tell you who he is, and where he comes from. The greatest danger in this graft and greed is the smug way we view grafters. We sit back, look it over, say nothing and do nothing. We hold a spirit which is lowering the spirit of manhood all over the country.

"I want to tell you about men in New Hampshire and Vermont and Maine—I know nothing about you here. You, I suppose, are all right. But up there, in those states, the honest men, the men who denounce grafters bitterly, occasionally put water in the milk they sell. They don't graft much. Then there are the grocers who sand their sugar and who ambuscade scales. Ambuscade scales are those that lie in weight. These contemptible grafters denounce the master grafters, they are the ones who make the big grafters.

"Are the criticisms of great wealth honestly given, or are they due to envy? You can't reform the nation until you reform the state. You can't reform the state until you reform the cities and the towns, and you can't reform the cities and towns until you reform yourselves. The grafter is the noblest work of fraud.

"There is a woful lack of knowledge relating to God's trusts. The beautiful stories of God are not being read to our children today, as they were to our fathers and grandfathers. Fathers and mothers are now too busy getting along in life to bother about reading Bible stories. A great deal of the Bible is a closed book to the present generation. Why, a man came to me a little while ago and said that only recently had he found out that Sodom and Gomorrah were not man and wife. Then, there was a woman I have heard of who always thought that the epistles were the wives of the apostles, until she found that there were 12 apostles and 14 epistles, and then she wanted to know how the extra epistles came in, if two of the apostles had two epistles each. The matter was explained to her. A lot of you men carry your religion as you carry your property, in your wive's names.

"Up in Maine, or New Hampshire or Vermont—for I know nothing about this city—two men once met. They got to speaking about the Lord's prayer and one bet that the other could not repeat it. He put down a $10 bill. The other man began 'Now I lay me down to sleep,' and so on to the end. And the man who had bet the money said: 'I didn't think you could do it; Here's your $10.'

"If you want to see a man pray, scare him. Put him down in a ship that is sinking, where the water is rolling in and you will find that is the time when the inner soul breaks through the shell of cynicism and skepticism.

"The need of the hour is not more gold, but more God. The religion of Jesus Christ is for men. We have left it to women too long. It is the only religion ever given to the world by which a man might die. It's the sternest of religions—it was meant for men, and it had its inception around the supremest type of mankind."

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DINEEN WON THE 72-HOUR RACE SATURDAY NIGHT

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 14.—Covering 354 miles and 8 laps in 72 hours, Pat Dineen, the Boston baker, was an easy winner in the go-as-you-please race that ended at 11 o'clock Saturday night at the light guard armory.

Prouty, also of the Hub, who took second place, was more than 11 miles behind Dineen, while the other six survivors were strung out over a full 100 miles.

Dineen's performance is an excellent one, considering the fact that the race was held on a track 16 laps to the mile, but it is some 70 miles behind the world's record for the event, made by George Noremac some years ago.

FERGUSON DEAD

HE FIRED BLANK CARTRIDGES INTO HIS EAR

PAWTUCKET, Dec. 14.—William H. Ferguson, a stonecutter, died at the hospital Saturday night from lockjaw, the result of a wound in the right ear, caused by a blank cartridge, and the medical examiner pronounced it a case of suicide.

More than a week ago Ferguson was found in the tenement of Mrs. Annie Whittaker, and Mrs. Whittaker, who fled from the place, said he first fired at her and then turned the weapon on himself. Ferguson said he knew the cartridges were blank and merely drew the weapon to scare the woman.

FATALLY BURNED

GIRL USED KEROSENE TO START A FIRE

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 14.—Mary Lecuivre, 11 years old, died at St. Joseph's hospital last night as the result of burns received at her home in the village of Natick early yesterday.

The child was motherless and kept house for her father, Joseph Lecuivre, who is employed as a fireman in the Natick mills. The father was at his work yesterday morning and only Mary and her 5-year-old brother were in the house. She started to build a fire in the kitchen stove with kerosene and her dress caught fire. She was burned from head to foot when neighbors who heard her cries discovered her. The other child was uninjured.

DROPPED DEAD

Lawyer Stricken With Heart Disease

BEDFORD, Dec. 14.—George J. Tufts, 65 years old, a lawyer, who lived at 15 Bradlee street, Dorchester, dropped dead in Chelmsford yesterday afternoon of heart failure.

Mr. Tufts, accompanied by his son, John L. Tufts of Winchester, came to Bedford yesterday afternoon and left the car in the centre of the town to walk to Chelmsford, a distance of four miles. They remained in that town about two hours and were walking leisurely back to Bedford when Mr. Tufts was suddenly stricken and sank unconscious, dying immediately.

JUDGE TAFT

TELLS OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH LATE PRES. McKINLEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—President-elect Wm. H. Taft, speaking last night at the dedication of a McKinley memorial organ in Metropolitan temple, told to an audience, which repeatedly interrupted him with applause, the story of his official association with the late president and declared with reference to the Philippine Islands that the policy laid down by Mr. McKinley in 1900 has been the policy of the present as it will be the policy of his own administration.

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VENEZUELAN SHIP

PRESIDENT CASTRO OF VENEZUELA NOW IN EUROPE.

Was Captured by the Dutch Cruiser Gelderland

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao, Dec. 14.—The Dutch cruiser Gelderland came into this port yesterday morning, towing the Venezuelan coast guardship Alix, with the Dutch flag flying and a Dutch crew on board. The Gelderland captured the Alix off Puerto Cabello on Saturday. At the time the Alix was lying close in-shore and, notwithstanding the threat which the Venezuelan government had made to fire upon any of the Dutch warships committing a hostile act, the Gelderland steamed at speed towards the guardship and sent an officer and guard in a launch to seize her. This they did without resistance, and no shot came from the forts on land.

The crew of the Alix was put ashore and the Dutch officer and marines remained on board. The Gelderland finally took the Alix in tow and steamed away with her as a prize.

The seizure of the Alix was in accordance with the plans of the Netherlands' government when instructions were issued to the three Dutch warships now in these waters to make a demonstration off the coast of Venezuela and to capture any Venezuelan ships of war or guard vessels that they might find.

The arrival of the Gelderland at Willemstad this morning was greeted with unbounded enthusiasm by those who noticed the cruiser's approach and soon the entire populace was down at the water's edge to welcome the warship towing the first of the enemy's ships as though from a great conquest.

Naturally, the people of Curacao, who have long been clamoring for activity by the Dutch government, are greatly rejoiced over this evidence that Holland has at last begun active measures against Venezuela, but the governor of Curacao in explaining the incident had this to say yesterday afternoon:

"The capture by our warships of coast guards and war vessels is not to be considered an unfriendly act against the Venezuelans. It is merely a reprisal against Castro's government, which refuses to give satisfaction for his unfriendly acts against Holland. The seizure of these vessels will make it impossible for the Venezuelan government to carry troops or ammunition to and from the various ports.

"A communication to this effect has been forwarded by the Dutch government to the German minister at Caracas."

"It is learned from the officers of the Gelderland that the battleship Jacob Van Heemskirk and the cruiser Friesland are now off La Guaira and that further captures may be expected at any time. These two vessels left on Friday cleared for action, and it was believed at that time that their intention was to make a forcible demonstration at La Guaira. The opinion is held here that in the absence of President Castro, the Venezuelan government will not go so far as to fire upon the Dutch warships, which, since Venezuela is practically without a navy, virtually hold the Venezuelan ports at their mercy.

The situation between Venezuela and The Netherlands has been strained for some months. The trouble arose indirectly from the expulsion from Caracas of M. De Reus the diplomatic representative of Holland, but it had already been rendered acute by the course of Venezuela in issuing a decree on May 14 last, which virtually killed the commerce of Curacao. President Castro refused to withdraw this decree, notwithstanding Holland issued an ultimatum that she would take retaliatory measures unless he took prompt cognizance of her demands. Castro suggested that Holland send a representative to Caracas to confer with him on this subject but this The Netherlands government declined to do. Without waiting, however, to ascertain whether or not this suggestion would be adopted, Castro sailed for Europe.

Other incidents that have added to the ill-feeling have been the stoppage of Dutch sailing vessels at sea by the authorities of Venezuela and the storming of the Venezuelan consulate at Willemstad by a mob. Venezuela has made preparations to resist any act of hostility. The forts at La Guaira, Porto Cabello and Maraicabo have been reinforced with men and munitions, but until Saturday no untoward act had occurred which would give Venezuela an opportunity to answer force with force. More than a week ago the three Dutch warships, the Jacob Van Heemskirk, the Freisland and Gelderland, steamed along the Venezuelan coast from Puerto Cabello to La Guaira at a distance of three thousand yards from the shore. Later the two cruisers went to Maraicabo where they made a similar demonstration. It is understood that the battleship De Ruijten is now on her way to Willemstad where she will join the others in continuing the demonstration against Venezuela.

The Gelderland, which has visited the United States several times, is the vessel which took Paul Kruger, the president of the Transvaal, from South Africa to Marseilles after the collapse of the Transvaal's defence in the South African war. She represented the Netherlands government at the Jamestown exposition.

The naval force of Venezuela consists of ten vessels. Of these three, the Bolivar, Miranda and Margarita, are gunboats. The others, except the Restaurador, which was formerly the steam yacht Atalanta, are hardly worthy of mention. They are nothing more than armed tugs. There is one 12-pound gun on the Restaurador, but aside from this there is not a gun in the fleet bigger than a six pounder. The Venezuelan forts, however, are mounted with some modern six-inch Krupp guns.

SCENES IN HEALTH EXPOSITION SHOWING WAR ON THE WHITE PLAGUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The international tuberculosis exhibition now being held in New York city comprises the most elaborate series of object lessons on tuberculosis and the means of its prevention ever placed before the public. The exhibition occupies an entire wing of the Natural History building and a temporary structure adjoining. It has attracted the attention of all classes of people since its opening, being besieged by throngs ranging from 10,000 to 40,000 persons daily. Some of the exhibits are methods of milk inspection, accompanied by lectures; graphophone lectures on cleanliness as a means of minimizing the spread of tuberculosis; the care of drinking cups at public fountains; rooms in the crowded tenement districts where the white plague thrives and replicas of these rooms after the charity department has had them cleaned, refurnished and repainted, and maps of the city showing where the disease abounds. These maps are marked with black pins showing where every case of consumption is situated. There is also a red incandescent light that flashes every time a victim dies of consumption in the greater city. This grim reminder of the ravages of the disease is one of the most striking features of the big show.

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CAUGHT IN GALE

Steamer Boston Was Badly Damaged

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Delayed nearly five hours by an accident to her machinery and heavy weather, the steamer Boston, Capt. Simms, arrived at Long wharf at 3 p. m. yesterday from Yarmouth, N. S. On board were 97 passengers, and many of them were greatly alarmed when they found that the machinery had broken down and the steamer was drifting. Their fears were quickly allayed by the officers, who assured them that the vessel was in no danger.

When the steamer left Yarmouth a strong northwesterly breeze was blowing, and it soon developed into a gale. At 8 p. m., when the Boston was 20 miles off Yarmouth cape, the machinery stopped and the steamer was hove to. The storm was raging at the time and the vessel was tossed about considerably. It was three hours before the engine room force completed repairs and the steamer resumed her passage.

Capt. Simms, when asked the nature of the accident, said it did not amount to anything. It was learned from other sources that overheated bearings were the cause of the trouble.

The weather continued rough all night with a driving rainstorm.

The steamer brought in a large cargo of fish and general merchandise.

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TEXTILE NOTES

Interesting Items From Mill Centres

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 14.—A $10,000,000 corporation has filed articles of incorporation in the Hudson County court house. It is the National Silk Dyeing Co., formed to manufacture, buy, sell and trade in any and all dyes, chemicals and preparations for bleaching and dyeing silk and other materials. The incorporators are Chas. W. Miller and Harold Otis, of No. 25 Broad street, New York, and Frank H. Hall of Jersey City.

CORSICANA MILLS RESUME

CORSICANA, Tex., Dec. 14.—The Corsicana cotton mills, after remaining shut down since last spring have started operations again on full time, with a working force of 150. The working force will be increased as soon as plenty of the right kind of labor is obtainable. Schwartz Brothers, who control the mills are pleased with the outlook and anticipate a very busy season for the mills.

OBLIGED TO USE STEAM

CONTOOCOOK, N. H., Dec. 14.—The silk mill, owing to low water has started its steam power to assist in running the mill.

CARPET MILL BUSY

THOMPSONVILLE, Conn., Dec. 14.—The plant of the Upson-Martin Carpet Co. is still overburdened with orders and the weaving department has started in to work from 7 a. m. to 9.30 p. m. until further notice. During the long depression this plant continued to work on full time with full complement of employes and for several weeks it has been forced to work evenings to fill orders.

GREYSTONE MILL ADDITION

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 14.—The Greystone in Greystone, and the Bernon mills in Georgiaville, have extensive improvements under contemplation or already completed. A new addition to the Bernon Mills has been completed and is ready for the installation of machinery. The first floor will be used as a cloth room, the entire second and a part of the third for weaving purposes. Six hundred Draper looms have been ordered, the first shipment being expected daily, and will be installed as rapidly as possible. The balance of the third floor and the entire upper floor will be utilized for spinning, 51 Mason frames for warp yarn to be the equipment.

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SKULL CRUSHED

DEDHAM BOY WAS STRUCK BY AUTO

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Walter Morton, 7, lies hovering between life and death at the home of his parents, 687 Washington street, Dedham, with a fractured skull, the result of a collision with an automobile while he was coasting on Clark's Hill yesterday.

The accident occurred near the corner of Washington and Court streets about 1 o'clock. The boy was coasting down Clark's Hill toward Washington street and did not see the approaching automobile. The machine was going from Norwood in the direction of Boston at a good rate of speed.

Morton was struck by the automobile and was thrown a distance of 15 feet, being rendered unconscious.

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DIED OF BURNS

Brave Woman Fought Lamp Explosion

FRANKLIN FALLS, N. H., December 14.—Mrs. Elizabeth Cilley died early yesterday morning at her home in East Andover as the result of burns received from a lamp explosion. Mrs. Cilley was 73 years old. According to her custom, a lighted lamp was left in a room adjoining her bedroom on the ground floor of her house last night.

About 1 yesterday morning Mrs. Cilley was awakened by an explosion, and hurrying into the next room she saw the top of the lamp on the floor and a lively blaze in progress. She bravely seized the lamp and opened the outside door to throw it out. The wind fanned the flames back from the burning oil, her nightgown ignited and she was burned from head to foot. Death occurred at 7.30 yesterday morning.

Her daughter, Mrs. Horace D. Caldwell, who lives in the same house, was awakened by her mother's screams and in trying to save her had both arms and hands badly blistered. Mr. Caldwell, who tried to wrap a portiere about Mrs. Cilley, had both eyebrows burned. William Cilley, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Cilley, although aged and bedridden with a broken leg, managed to get to the rescue and was severely burned.

The flames did small damage to the house, being confined to the curtains and carpet of the room where the lamp exploded.

CHURCH BURNED

FIRE STARTED FROM AN OVER-HEATED CHIMNEY

KINGSTON, Dec. 14.—The First Baptist church of Kingston, a gift to the town by the late Henry R. Glover of Cambridge in memory of his father, who was for many years its pastor, was totally destroyed by fire late last night. The church was built in 1886 at a cost of $25,000.

The fire was believed to have started from an overheated chimney in the basement. Several handsome memorial windows were destroyed with the church. The pipe organ is believed to have been saved.

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a6.27	7.41	7.23	8.55
b7.44	7.53	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.30	9.00	9.38
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.37
7.22	8.05	10.21	11.34
17.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.55
8.59	9.40	1.00	1.37
b9.27	10.35	2.00	3.02
9.33	10.19	3.00	3.57
10.45	11.40	b3.51	5.02
11.33	12.20	a4.34	5.30
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
1.46	2.30	b5.21	6.23
2.41	3.33	5.48	6.28
3.07	4.40	b5.51	7.05
4.26	5.20	a6.14	7.30
5.20	6.15	7.30	8.08
6.10	7.10	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	10.30	11.34
7.52	8.35	11.20	12.16

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To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	z7.00	8.10
8.04	8.55	9.25	10.35
9.50	10.53	10.55	11.52
10.50	11.55	11.50	12.43
12.00	1.08	2.15	3.25
3.10	4.14	3.30	4.30
4.23	5.25	4.59	5.58
5.08	6.12	6.02	7.03
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12.10	1.15	12.00	1.06
3.50	5.00	2.15	3.23
5.45	7.00	3.50	4.40
8.50	10.02	5.20	6.36
		8.40	9.42

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SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.49	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.22	8.05	10.00	10.37
8.49	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.15	1.00	1.57
10.30	11.33	5.00	6.02
2.25	3.27	7.30	8.08
5.10	6.00	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	9.00	10.02
7.52	8.35	10.29	11.35

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BROKEN COLLAR BONE

Little Miss Yvonne Loupret, daughter of Mrs. N. J. Loupret of 278 High street, slipped on the ice coated doorstep as she was entering her home Saturday night and fell and broke her collar bone.

BULL FIGHTER INJURED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.—Rodolfo Gaoana, a famous Mexican bull fighter, was fatally injured in a fight in Puebla yesterday. He was caught by the fifth bull, the horns of the animal penetrating the abdomen.

ADMIRAL CERVERA RETIRED

MADRID, Dec. 14.—Vice Admiral Cervera, who commanded the Spanish fleet in the battle of Santiago, was retired from the active list today at his own request on account of failing health.

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Services of a particularly beautiful and impressive nature were held in the local Catholic churches yesterday in honor of the solemnity of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, while in nearly all of the churches retreats and triduums for young women held in honor of the feast, came to a close.

Immaculate Conception

The services at the Immaculate Conception church were particularly impressive by reason of the fact that the patronal feast of the church was being observed. The altars and sanctuary were sumptuously adorned and special music was given by the choirs. The solemnity of the feast was observed with solemn high mass at 10.30 o'clock sung by Rev. William Murphy, D. D., O. M. I., rector of Ottawa university, assisted by Rev. John M. McRory, O. M. I., pastor, deacon; and Rev. Frank Haggerty, O. M. I., of the Tewksbury novitiate, as sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., who conducted the retreat who spoke on the sacrifice of the mass. Fr. Ripple stated in opening that the matter of making a sacrifice in honor of God, was one of the earliest aspirations of the human heart. In the earliest days men sought objects of sacrifice and started with offerings of precious stones and metals but which they abandoned as being too base for such a purpose. They even suggested the offering of their children but were restrained by the injunction from Mt. Sinai "Thou shalt not kill" and then they offered as their sacrifices the clean animals such as sheep and oxen until Christ came upon earth and instituted the sacrifice of the mass at the last supper the transformation of the bread and wine. From Christ's time the sacrifice of the mass has been the only true sacrifice and so it will be until the end of time. All of the world's greatest artists and sculptors have made their masterpieces in the churches devoted to this sacrifice and the world's greatest composers have found in it the theme of their loftiest compositions.

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Walker rendered Henri Blasil's mass in D minor and at the offertory Haggerty's "Ave Maria" was sung.

The retreat was formally closed in the evening in the presence of a large congregation. During the week over 2500 women and girls received holy communion. The exercises included the recitation of the rosary, a strong sermon by Rev. Fr. Ripple on Perseverance, a procession of the Immaculate Conception sodality and Children of Mary followed a reception of one hundred and twenty-five members and the papal benediction and benediction of the blessed sacrament. During the procession the hymn "Immaculate" was sung and at the close of the service, choir and congregation joined in singing "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name."

St. Peter's

High mass was sung at 10.30 yesterday by Rev. Hugh McDermod and the sermon on the gospel of the day was preached by Rev. John Burns.

Rev. W. George Mullin of St. Peter's has been appointed to take charge of the correspondence to the Boston Pilot from Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill, Concord and Ayer.

At Sacred Heart

The solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was beautifully observed at the Sacred Heart church yesterday, while the retreat for women conducted by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I., came to a close. Over 900 women received communion in connection with the retreat and at all the masses Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., pastor, thanked the women for the success of the retreat.

The altars, particularly the Blessed Virgin's altar and the sanctuary, were beautifully adorned.

The retreat mass was sung at 8 o'clock by the preacher of the retreat, Rev. Fr. Flynn, and was largely attended, a large number of women receiving holy communion in a body. The sermon was by the celebrant of the mass, and was on "Perseverance." The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O. M. I., and the sermon was preached by Fr. Flynn, who preached on "Duty of Parents." The Gregorian chant was sung by the sanctuary choir and organ choir.

The children's service took place at 2 o'clock, commencing with a hymn to the Blessed Virgin. Rev. Fr. Smith gave a short instruction to the children on the Blessed Virgin, and the Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin was recited by the children, over 900 being present. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament closed the service. At the close the children filed down the centre aisle to the Blessed Virgin's altar where the pastor presented them medals of the Blessed Virgin.

The church was crowded at the evening service.

The service commenced with the singing of the processional "Ave Maris Stella" by the sanctuary choir as they advanced from the vestry to the sanctuary. A hymn to the Blessed Virgin was sung by the congregation, over 1600 voices singing God's praise. At close of hymn the rosary was recited by Rev. Fr. Barrett, O. M. I. Previous to the sermon, the congregation sang "To Jesus Heart All Burning." The preacher, Rev. Fr. Flynn, took his text from the beautiful canticle "The Magnificat; "Behold all nations shall call me blessed," and preached an eloquent sermon. At the close of the sermon Fr. Flynn gave the papal benediction.

After the benediction the pastor, Rev. Fr. Smith, received 16 members into the Holy Rosary and Children of Mary sodalities. During the reception the beautiful hymn, "Hail, Mary," was sung. Mrs. Muldoon sustaining the solo. Mrs. Muldoon also sang a beautiful hymn, "The Memorare," the verse of which was composed by Miss Mary Wood, a member of the parish. Solemn benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was then given by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, assisted by Rev. Frs. Smith and Barrett, O. M. I., as deacons. During the benediction the singing was by the congregation. At the close of the service, the congregation arose and sang "Holy God." Mrs. Adelaide A. Muldoon presided at he organ and directed the choirs.

At St. Michael's

At St. Michael's church last evening the services connected with the solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception were brought to a close with a reception into the Blessed Virgin sodalities following the vesper service, and crowning of the statue of Mary. Rev. Fr. O'Kane, S. J., former president of Holy Cross college, delivered the sermon and spoke in part as follows:

"From a versicle of the grand old Magnificat which we heard sung just a few moments ago, I will choose my theme, 'Ecce enim ex haec beatam me dicent omnes generationes: "Behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed'),

"In the Catholic church alone is this prophecy verified and in its fulfilment she proves again the truth of her mission. Here a humble village maiden, born in a lowly hamlet of a despised race almost at the very moment of its extinction as a nation, fears not to make the assertion that her name and her memory will be revered until the very end of time. Caesar returning in triumph, laden with the spoils of conquest; Brutus, Cicero in the highest flights of eloquence, Plato expounding his theories, or Aristotle solving his most difficult problems would scarcely utter it, and yet this modest virgin, inspired by the Holy Spirit, gives vent in these prophetic words to the joy that fills her being. And almost at the very instant its fulfillment has begun—'Blessed art thou amongst women.' With a woman's intuition, a woman's appreciation, Elizabeth recognized the mother of her God and in that memorable visitation is begun the homage which shall be paid to Mary till time shall be no more.

"'But the love of her may lead away from God.
Yet loving her we only tread the way
the Savior trod.'

"Thus would Father Faber refute the arguments brought against our honoring Mary, God's holy mother. Do we not love everything that comes within the circle of Christ's great love for us in the atonement for man's sin? And the nearer that any created thing comes to that great mystery the more we revere it. We bend before the cross on which was hung the body of the Saviour. The crown that pierced His bleeding head; the spear that tore His side, the nails that wounded His hands and feet are objects of special veneration, but how much more intimately was Mary connected with Him? His flesh was her flesh, her blood coursed through His veins, her heart regulated His, her mother's care protected Him through infancy and childhood, her mother's love followed Him to the foot of the cross. The scheme of the redemption is no mathematical problem. It began away back in the dawn of creation. When our first parents succumbed to the tempter, when driven from Paradise, they seemed without hope, the Creator buoyed up their sinking spirits with the promise of One who was to come, and in that promise He included Mary. To the serpent He said: 'I will put enmities between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, but she shall crush thy head.' In this plan of the redemption Mary alone was the only created thing that was really necessary. An infinite God had been offended, hence an infinite atonement had to be made, but made by one who was also man, because man it was who had committed the offense against his creator. Hence, a God-man was necessary. One act of His, being of infinite value, it was not of necessity that the cross, the nails, the spear contribute to the work, even St. Joseph was not necessary. True he was honored in being chosen as the protector of the mother and Divine Child and as the guardian of Mary's honor, but even he, whose name on the lips of the dying is so closely linked with those of Jesus and Mary, was not necessary. But Mary was necessary, that the Son of God should be, as He so loved to call Himself, the Son of Man as well. The redemption, then, from the promise in the garden of Eden down to that awful tragedy of Good Friday implies the incarnation and is closely connected with it. No wonder then in realizing it Mary exclaimed 'All generations shall call me blessed,' and immediately she explains the reason, 'Because He that is mighty hath done great things to me,' and since that time among true Christians, in every age as here, this evening, shrines, statues, confraternities have been erected to Mary's honor, and everywhere her praises have been sung. True, she is but a creature, but in loving and honoring her we are but following the footsteps of One who came not only to reopen the gates of heaven, but to be an example, a model for us as well. In following Him we cannot go astray and loving the mother we will draw ever nearer to the Son. Be loyal children then of Mary and let no day pass without invoking the intercession of her who is your queen, your advocate, your mother. Pray that she will ever be a true mother to you, but especially at the dread hour of death. True to her in life, in death, she will be your refuge and will lead you to the feet of Him who, slain on Calvary, won for you the salvation for which you hope."

The sermon was followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, given by Rev. J. J. Shaw, celebrant, Rev. E. A. Carney, deacon, Rev. Denis Murphy, sub-deacon. One of the special features of the service was the congregational singing by the sodalities under the direction of Rev. E. A. Carney.

At St. Joseph's Church

The novena held by the young women of St. Joseph's church in honor of the feast of the Immaculate Conception came to a close last evening and was a grand success. A reception into the Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality was held, at which thirty new members were received while a large number was promoted from the Children of Mary sodality. Rev. Fr. Baron, O. M. I., director of the sodality, officiated at the reception and also gave benediction.

Rev. Fr. Graton, O. M. I., who has been the preacher at the novena, delivered the closing hymn on "Perseverance." A large choir of young women sang appropriate hymns while a procession of 600 sodalists singing the Litany of the Blessed Virgin was a most impressive feature. Miss Ernestine Alexander played the organ. During benediction the choir sang Berge's "Tantum Ergo," in which Miss Anna Bourassa was the soloist; Roswig's "O Salutaris" and the "Magnificat," Miss Eugenie Vincent sang Luigi Luzzi's "Ave Maria."

The church was beautifully decorated.

North Chelmsford

The election of officers of St. John's T. A. society took place at a meeting of the society held yesterday morning with the following results: Spiritual director, Rev. Edmund T. Schofield; president, John E. Harrington; vice president, John J. McQuade; clerk, Irving J. Shields; financial secretary, Michael J. Scollan; treasurer, John T. McTeague; board of trustees, Fred J. Kinch, Arthur J. McEnaney and Joseph A. Laforge; janitor, James E. Flannery.

The installation of the new officers will take place at the first meeting in January.

Thursday evening of this week St. John's Total Abstinence society will entertain the members of Court Wannalancit, 171, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, at its hall.

George C. Moore is having hot and cold water baths installed in his mills here for the use of his employes. Thos. H. Murphy is doing the work.

The fire commissioners will submit plans for the new fire house for contractors to figure on this week.

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CRIMINAL COURT

Session Opened at Cambridge Today

The criminal session of the superior court was opened in Cambridge this morning and many Lowell people, including members of the police department, are attending the session.

Among the members of the department who went down this morning were Deputy Redmond Welch, Lieut. John Freeman, Inspectors Charles Laflamme, Martin Maher, John Walsh and a number of police officers.

TO FLOAT STEAMER

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Wreckers who have been at work on the German freighter Harburg since she went aground near Bellport life saving station last Saturday, expected to float the stranded steamer today. They succeeded in moving her about half her length at high tide late last night and preparations were made for a final try when conditions again are favorable this afternoon.

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